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Photos by Lyn Winans

Many lakes in Haliburton County have gone just about as high as they can go, but officials at the Trent-Severn Waterway (TSW) have been forced to store water in local reservoir lakes to help stop serious flooding further south.

Recently, a flooding notice was posted on the Township of Minden Hills web site. It states that: "all residents should use caution around local waterways during the next few weeks with fluctuating temperatures and the possibility of sudden melting snow and flooding within the area." They are also urging residents to be prepared with the necessary items they may need in case of sudden flooding.

With the massive amounts of snowfall we've had this winter it shouldn't come as a surprise that high water levels have hit us.

"We're using our dams to regulate the water flow into the County," said Jack Alexander, Director of Canal Operations for the TSW. "With the near record snowfall we had this year, the melting has caused localized flooding, primarily to the south," said Alexander.

The TSW, managed by Parks Canada, is responsible for controlling the flow of water through the system.

Last weekend, water levels on the Burnt, Gull and Irondale Rivers were extremely high.

Flood Advisories have been issued for the south end of the Burnt River. This river flows from the Loon lake area south through Kinmount and ends up in Cameron Lake. Fortunately, since that time, dangerously high levels in many of these areas have been reduced, but officials warn that the peak may not have been reached.

Kris Windover, acting Senior Land and Water Technician for the Ministry of Natural Resources, told The Voice that all the dams being monitored are in good shape.

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Hello Spring

Minden's Doctor Shortage Worsens

Minden will be without the services of their only full-time doctor for the next three months.

Dr Bennet Wu said that he will be away from his practice from May 1 to August 1, but added that arrangements are being made to locate a locum to cover the practice for the duration of his hiatus.

He said that the Haliburton medical team would be available to cover his practice three days per week. "Any of my patients who require emergency follow-up or anything out of the ordinary would be cared for by replacement doctors from Haliburton," said Wu.

Dr. Wu said that the Family Health Team, under the supervision of Dr. Bob Heyes from Haliburton, would still be available as well.

Dr. Wu said he is taking the extended leave for personal reasons.

"There's a multitude of reasons, but I'm taking some time right now," said Wu, adding that his wife, Donna, has been suffering from a very severe and painful back problem for some time and that she is currently awaiting a date for surgery.

It's a procedure that Wu hopes will happen in May, but adds that there is no guarantee it will happen that soon.

"She has been in a lot of pain for some time," said Wu, adding, "we're hoping that the surgery can be done as soon as possible."

Wu said that Rhonda Griffin, Office Manager of Minden Medical Clinic, is continuing the search for a locum to fill in for the duration of his absence. "I know that Rhonda is advertising for a replacement, and we are

Terrance Gavan
Staff Reporter

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No SIGN of Taking Bylaw Seriously

The handling of signs continues to plague Municipal Councils across the County, as evidenced by discussions held in the Dysart Council chambers on Monday. In this case, rather than being a matter of too many signs, it's a question of how to regulate them.

Matt Aldom, Municipal Law Enforcement, and Chief Building Official, Dan Sayers submitted a report to Council about signs that had been erected or changed without the benefit of a permit. Boatwerks on Maple & Highland put up two fascia signs, IGA erected a new sign when it changed over to Foodland and The Wild Outdoors put up two signs, one facing the Cenotaph, when they moved to their new location.

Sayers said that while there are no specific concerns about the signs themselves, the fact remained that there have been no inquiries or requests for permits. He questioned whether all changes of this nature should be ignored.

Councillor Derek Knowles asked about the number of requests for permits that had been received. Sayers said there had been three applications and he was sending out letters to deal with a number of signs that had been erected without a request for permit. Knowles voiced concern that there are

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Dr. Wu Cont'd...

>> hoping to have someone in place," said Wu. "Thus far we have had two responses, but in both cases the applicants would need supervision as both applicants are not fully qualified."

He said that Minden will still have access to the Ontario-funded Family Health Team, but added that there is no qualified general practitioner on the Family Health Team staff. It is supervised by Haliburton's Dr. Heyes and Wu said that Heyes would continue to oversee that unit, in addition to providing some ad hoc coverage with other Haliburton medical personnel for at least part of the normal five-day working schedule.

Wu said that nothing would change vis-à-vis the Minden Emergency Room. A team of out of town doctors has been covering the emergency room at the Minden Hospital for a number of years and Wu said that the ER would still be available for any of his patients who require immediate emergency care.

Wu says that his current practice consists of about 2,500 patients, but he adds that a great many of those patients do not seek medical advice on an ongoing basis. "It's hard to judge how many of those are active patients because a lot of people leave without notice," said Wu.

Wu is the only doctor in the town of Minden and he says that aggressive advertising campaigns aimed at attracting new medical personnel to the small town have thus far borne no fruit.

He says the doctor shortage problem is endemic and systemic throughout Ontario.

"It's not just happening in small towns," said Wu. "I have patients who have moved to larger centers like Peterborough and Lindsay and they are finding it hard to get a family doctor back here as well. A lot of those patients are still driving back here to see me because they can't find a doctor there."

Wu said that back in 1995 there were six full time doctors in Minden. "I know that we are working hard to attract doctors, but this has been a problem for a number of years," said Wu.

Wu's Monday to Friday workload is quite comprehensive.

His office hours begin at nine every morning and he said that some days he is seeing patients until seven or eight that night.

"Sometimes, if I take a day off during the week, I will be into the office on Saturday," said Wu. "It's a very busy practice."

Dr. Wu will be returning to the Minden Medical Clinic on Friday, August 1. ■

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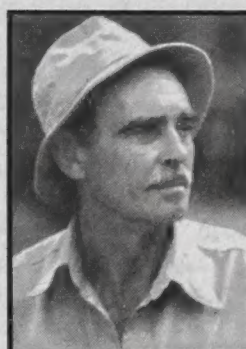
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Haliburton's Dynamic Duo Shine on World Stage Duchene and Hodgson 'Helping' Canada to 2-0 Start in Kazan, Russia

Terrance Gavan

Sports Editor

Kazan is the capital city of the Republic of Tatarstan in Russia, and its name is derived from the Tatar word for a thick cooking utensil.

Fitting then, that, as the World Under 18 Hockey Championship moves to climax in this venerable old 10th century city on the Volga, two Haliburton puck prodigies are shifting seamlessly from frying pan to fire.

Burners on high, Matt Duchene and Cody Hodgson, who are teammates on the Ontario Hockey League's Brampton Battalion, are testing mettle on the searing boilerplate of the international stage. Both Hodgson, who grew up in Haliburton and still has a family cottage here, and Duchene, who is a student at Haliburton High, honed their hockey skills in the Haliburton Minor Hockey Association.

Hodgson and Duchene may be a little disappointed about the Battalion's early ouster from the OHL playdowns, but they are making up for that let down with stellar performances in Kazan at the Under 18 tourney.

The Canadian club pushed their record to a solid 2-0 in the preliminary round of the prestigious tournament, with a convincing 4-1 victory over Denmark on Tuesday afternoon. Duchene had three assists in the game, including the helper on the eventual game winner. Indeed, the line of Corey Trivino, Maxime Sauvé and Duchene combined for 10 points in the game. Trivino scored the trick and added an assist, while Sauvé popped three helpers.

Trivino's three-goal outing powered the Canadian squad to the hard-fought victory, but he unselfishly gave credit to his two line-mates at the post game press conference.

"We came out today trying not to overlook these guys (the Danes), especially after the big win on Sunday against Germany," Trivino said. "We started slowly, but as the game progressed, we got to put some pucks in the net. My line-mates were really good today, and they did most of the work. I was just there standing at the right place at the right time, and all I had to do was to put it in."

Canada outshot the Danes 43-19, including



32-7 in the final two periods. Canadian coach Pat Quinn was uncharacteristically effusive about his squad's play after the game.

"Denmark was ready to play today, and they played hard; it was not an easy game for us," said Quinn, at the post game presser summarized on the Hockey Canada website. "At the end of the night, it is five guys on the ice working together that helps you win hockey games, and that's what we had tonight."

Canada defeated Germany by a whopping 9-2 margin in their first outing on Sunday.

Hodgson and line-mates Taylor Hall and Jordan Eberle combined for three goals against an outgunned and outthrusted German squad. Hodgson had three assists in the rout, one of them on Eberle's eventual game winner.

"We played well from start to finish," said Hall, who led all scorers with a goal and three assists. "It's nice to get a good start. I am getting very comfortable with my line right now and the chemistry is there between us. We're moving well together."

The win on Tuesday placed Canada on top of the Group A standings and set up a battle on Wednesday (yesterday) against the Russians who are the defending Under 18 champions.

And good news for Haliburton hockey fans: It looks like the national cable sports networks are going to be cranking out some coverage of the event.

TSN/RDS, the official broadcasters of Hockey Canada, will have coverage of the 2008 IIHF World Under-18 Championship, beginning Friday, April 18th vs. Slovakia and continuing through the gold medal game on Wednesday, April 23rd.

Late Hits: Hodgson had a goal in a 6-4 warm-up exhibition loss to Belarus. Hodgson had 2 goals and an assist in a 6-5 exhibition win over Finland. Duchene scored the first goal of the game in that win over the Finns. The Hockey Canada website is located at: <http://www.hockeycanada.ca/> ■

Flooding...

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"Precipitation we had early last week along with the warmer temperatures raised the water levels quite a bit, but we had no trouble controlling it," said Windover. The water is receding on all systems, he added.

The threat of flooding also resulted in a warning being issued by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit (HKPR) on Friday, April 11. In this advisory, the Health Unit is telling people on private wells (virtually everyone in Haliburton County) to "be aware that their drinking water supply could become contaminated if their well-head is, or has been, submerged in water." They are also telling those who draw surface water from lakes or streams without using a disinfectant unit could be at risk. And even those with one of these units should be aware that the equipment could become overwhelmed by higher water flows, resulting in contamination.

"Given the present conditions, we think it's best to err on the side of caution," said Anne Alexander, Director of Environmental Health with the HKPR, in the release. ■



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FRIDAY



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SATURDAY



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▲ 22° ▼ 9°

SUNDAY



Cloudy with morning showers

▲ 17° ▼ 4°

MONDAY



Cloudy and cooler with a sprinkle or two

▲ 16° ▼ 6°

TUESDAY



Cloudy with a few showers possible

▲ 18° ▼ 8°

WEDNESDAY



Some morning sun, then becoming cloudy

▲ 18° ▼ 8°

AROUND THE REGION: Pleasant weather will be experienced on Thursday and Friday as a mix of sun and clouds will be seen with afternoon highs in the teens. Warmer weather will be experienced on Saturday as highs reach the low 20s. A few showers will fall across the area as well and continue into Sunday morning. Sunday will be cooler as highs fall back into the middle teens.



REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Bancroft	17/6/pc	17/6/cl	22/9/sh	17/4/sh	16/6/sh	18/8/sh	18/8/cl
Barrie	17/6/pc	18/7/cl	23/10/sh	17/5/sh	17/7/cl	18/8/sh	19/9/cl
Dorset	17/6/pc	17/6/cl	21/9/sh	17/4/sh	16/6/sh	17/7/sh	18/8/cl
Haliburton	17/6/pc	18/6/cl	22/9/sh	17/4/sh	16/6/sh	18/8/sh	18/8/cl
Huntsville	17/6/pc	17/6/cl	21/9/sh	17/4/sh	16/6/sh	17/7/sh	18/8/cl
Kingston	18/6/pc	18/7/cl	23/11/cl	18/6/sh	17/7/sh	18/9/sh	19/9/cl
Lindsay	18/6/pc	18/7/cl	23/10/sh	17/5/sh	16/7/sh	18/8/sh	19/9/cl
Minden	17/6/pc	18/6/cl	22/9/sh	17/4/sh	16/6/sh	18/8/sh	18/8/cl
Oshawa	17/7/pc	19/8/cl	23/11/sh	18/6/sh	18/7/sh	18/9/sh	20/9/cl
Ottawa	17/4/pc	18/8/cl	23/11/cl	20/9/sh	19/8/ts	19/8/cl	20/8/pc
Toronto	17/6/pc	19/8/cl	24/11/sh	19/6/sh	18/8/cl	18/9/sh	20/10/cl

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Calgary	15/5/su	5/0/mx	0/-11/st	-5/-11/st	-1/-7/st	3/-9/sn	4/-7/st
Edmonton	8/-2/sh	1/-8/sn	1/-7/st	2/-4/st	3/-3/st	3/-8/sn	4/-5/st
Fredericton	17/5/su	18/6/cl	14/3/su	9/5/cl	17/4/sh	14/4/dz	14/6/pc
Halifax	14/5/cl	16/6/sh	14/4/pc	9/2/su	12/4/dz	10/6/sh	11/6/pc
Montreal	17/5/pc	18/7/cl	21/8/cl	21/11/sh	19/9/sh	19/8/dz	21/9/pc
Regina	16/4/pc	14/3/cl	3/-4/sn	1/0/st	4/-3/st	4/-7/st	4/-7/st
St. John's	12/4/su	12/5/sh	6/-1/pc	0/-1/cl	1/0/pc	3/0/dz	7/1/pc
Saskatoon	14/3/pc	8/-2/sh	-1/-8/st	2/-5/sn	-4/-5/st	-3/-8/st	2/-7/st
Vancouver	12/8/sh	8/3/sh	5/1/mx	5/1/mx	14/3/sn	12/4/st	13/6/pc
Whitehorse	-4/-11/cl	-1/-9/pc	2/-7/cl	5/-3/sn	7/-2/sn	3/-4/sn	3/-2/cl
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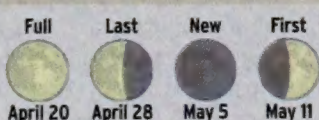
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Sunday 4/13	5°C	-3°C	0.0 mm
Saturday 4/12	2°C	0°C	6.6 mm
Friday 4/11	3°C	-1°C	2.3 mm
Thursday 4/10	7.8°C	0.1°C	0.0 mm
Wednesday 4/9	12.8°C	2.2°C	6.9 mm

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SUN & MOON

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set
Thu.	6:25 a.m./8:03 p.m.	5:33 p.m./5:04 a.m.
Fri.	6:23 a.m./8:04 p.m.	6:39 p.m./5:21 a.m.
Sat.	6:22 a.m./8:05 p.m.	7:45 p.m./5:39 a.m.
Sun.	6:20 a.m./8:07 p.m.	8:52 p.m./5:59 a.m.
Mon.	6:18 a.m./8:08 p.m.	9:58 p.m./6:22 a.m.
Tues.	6:17 a.m./8:09 p.m.	11:03 p.m./6:50 a.m.
Wed.	6:15 a.m./8:10 p.m.	none/7:24 a.m.



Moments
in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

On April 17, 1937, Daffy Duck makes his debut in the Warner Bros. short "Porky's Duck Hunt." In the 1920s, movie houses had started showing a short cartoon before feature presentations, but the form became more popular after sound was introduced in 1928.

On April 19, 1775, at about 5 a.m., 700 British troops march into the Massachusetts town of Lexington to find 77 armed minutemen waiting for them. Suddenly, the "shot heard around the world" was fired from an undetermined gun. When the brief Battle of Lexington ended, eight Americans lay dead or dying and 10 others were wounded. The American Revolution had begun.

On April 20, 1841, Edgar Allen Poe's short story "The Murders in the Rue Morgue" first appears in Graham's Lady's and Gentleman's Magazine. The tale is generally considered to be the first detective story.

On April 21, 1918, in the skies over France, Manfred von Richthofen, the notorious German flying ace known as "The Red Baron," is killed by Allied fire. By the time he was 25 years old, Richthofen had downed 80 enemy aircraft.

On April 22, 1992, dozens of sewer explosions in Guadalajara, Mexico, kill more than 200 people and damage 1,000 buildings. The series of explosions was caused by a gas leak, the warning signs of which were ignored by the Mexican government and the national oil company.

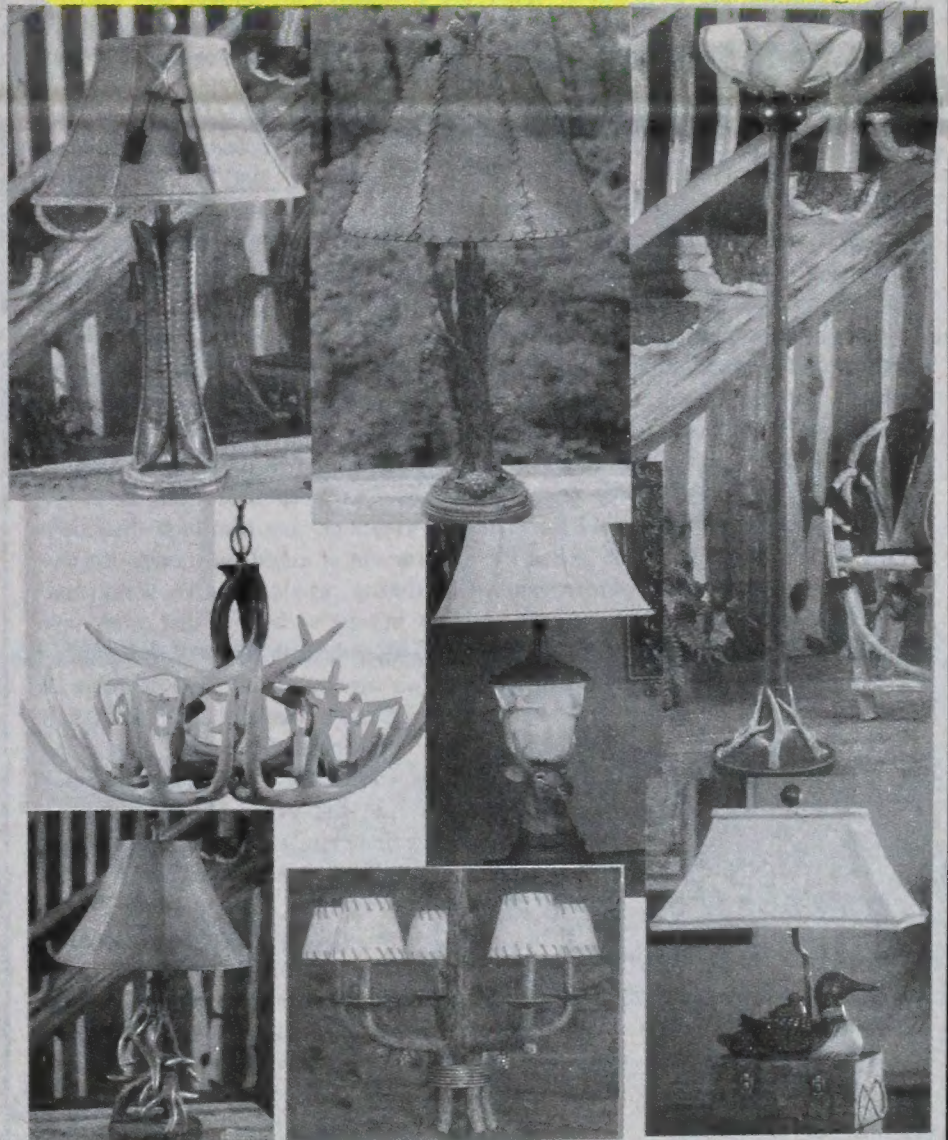
On April 23, 1969, after being convicted in the assassination of politician Robert F. Kennedy, Sirhan Sirhan is sentenced to the death penalty. In 1972, Sirhan's sentence was commuted to life in prison. Sirhan, a Jordanian immigrant, continues to make requests for parole, but they have been repeatedly denied.

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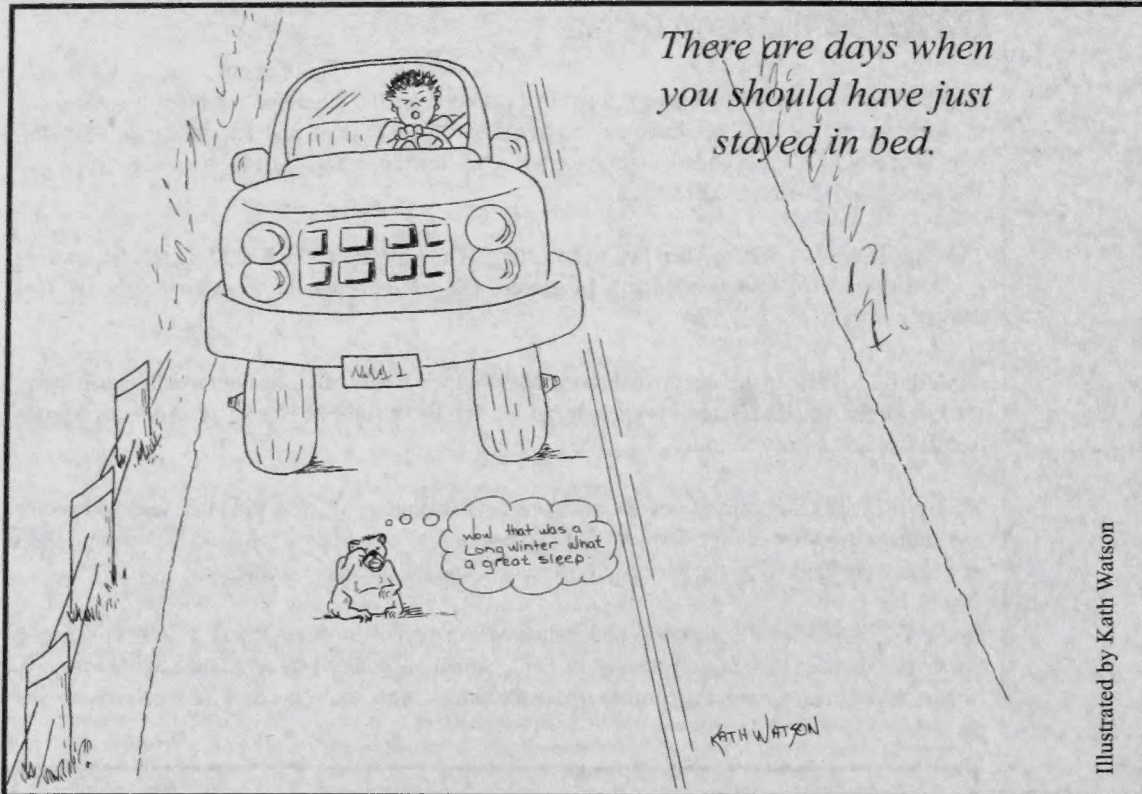
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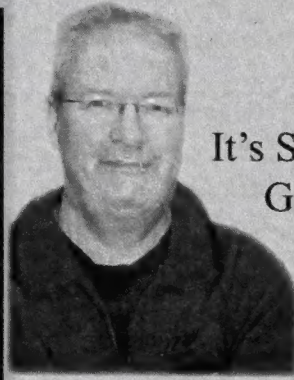


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EDITORIAL VIEWPOINT

By Stephen Patrick

It's Spring! .. Where's Everybody Gone?



Springtime in Haliburton County is a season of decidedly mixed blessings. Just when you think winter's back is broken, when the sun is bright and warm and the snow's starting to melt, those cold mean nights return with a vengeance to break your heart and lock up

the land and the lakes for another few weeks.

Even our school buses were cancelled one day last week due to a freezing rain storm that threatened to go on all day. But now the rivers are ready to burst their banks as the bush deposits a near record-breaking load of snow into the creeks and brooks. Homeowners are checking their sump pumps, making sure their docks are firmly lashed; motorists are dodging potholes and negotiating mighty swales of asphalt, all while keeping a sharp eye out for the deer. The dirt roads are returning to their muddy origins and the first wild garlic leaves are peeping out of the earth on south facing hills.

So it's not all bad: when that sun's out you can almost believe the winter is gone, and even look forward to the spring yard cleanup. This winter has been long and hard: but it did bring an excellent season for snowmobilers, which certainly helped the businesses that rely on them. Sir Sam's Ski Area had a great year. The resort business got a decent bump in February and March, although County retailers, bar, and restaurant owners report that the season over all was slow. Ironically, the snows and storms that help the snowmobilers may have made many cottagers stay in the city for fear of adverse road conditions.

But now, just as the flowers burst and the birds sing --- the main streets of our towns and villages are not exactly bustling with energetic commerce. For businesses, April and May are among the slowest months of the entire year (contractors, if they can access their sites, are the exceptions). For retailers in particular, under pressure to stock up for the summer, those demands for inventory turnover, coupled with tiny cash flows, can make for some very difficult weeks, if not months.

Last week Haliburton County Council gave their Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Marketing, Robert Smith a very tough time when he appeared before them to discuss his department's progress and budget. Mr. Smith has had three years to bring in new businesses to the County and the politicians' message was clear: we want to see some results, fast. (See Liz Danielsen's report elsewhere in this issue.)

Mr. Smith's challenge is to entice businesses that provide employment year round, are eco-friendly, and don't rely on the traditional tourist season cycles of boom and bust. The model for this type of development is Patient News Publishing (PNP), an eco-conscious company that employs over 70 professionals year round, doesn't lay off their staff in November and April, and is committed to the larger Haliburton community. Some critics of Mr. Smith's department fail to see why the PNP success can't be used as a model to attract other businesses. But PNP didn't arrive fully formed: it was started and developed from scratch right here in the County.

Bringing year-round businesses to Haliburton is a very tough job that requires a lot of imagination, vision, and patience. But County Council is certainly within its rights to demand a higher level of performance from its Economic Development department: in fact Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey's suggestion that an organizational review of the County's entire business be commissioned is correct and timely. When County staff can arbitrarily spend \$19,000 on Blackberries, the red flags should be rising at dawn, if not before. Our politicians can't ignore those empty April streets any more than can our merchants and the families that depend on them. No matter how many birds are singing and flowers blooming. ■

"Thank you for your consideration of a hot topic."

Dear Editor:

Hi. I am writing in response to the editorial "With God On Our Side" by Mr. Patrick. Thank you for your consideration of a hot topic. I would just like to mention that the article had stated the churches of Haliburton are community minded and tolerant.

Letter of the Week

Yes we are. And we believe our church (The Lighthouse Pentecostal Church) is community minded. We love Haliburton

and we believe that God loves Haliburton. We are part of Haliburton County. We long to have a caring and truth telling balance that helps the community maintain sustainability. We are trying to be part of the solution rather than part of the problem. This means we have certain positions on certain issues.

We believe in traditional marriage and a community where children are safe and not exposed to pornography. If there are tax dollars going to fund film production that is not family friendly, we believe those films would be opposed to everything we believe about God and life in general. Tolerance is by definition living with something you disagree with acceptance is different. We will respect the rights of individuals to create what they want, but don't have to accept that or pay for it. We would prefer if everybody paid for their own creations, and also took their own responsibility for the content. When the government is asked for money for any project it understands it takes responsibility for the message it funds. We would take money from donors to share the love of Jesus, but we've learned that often only those who really believe in that actually want to offer their hard earned money.

Mr. Patrick is right saying that the church has survived many an assault, and I know it will remain. However what I must point out is that the community will not always be a good place to live if the moral standards of a culture are eroded by pluralism. Pluralism is a cultural/religious environment where all religious beliefs by all people are accepted as equally true and valid. Sounds good yet I would prefer not to accept certain religious beliefs and I don't think pluralism works. For example, to take our money and put it in a pot and fund it all in the name of pluralism actually offends people. Effectively then, in trying not to offend by being fair with the funding of non family flicks, the government has actually offended the church. So pluralism doesn't really work. Every empire and nation in history that has had pluralistic and relativistic credos, have crumbled from within, and so will any community. If there are no civil laws, and to maintain order we must have them, then likewise it makes sense that there must be some moral laws that also maintain order and contribute to healthy sustainable communities.

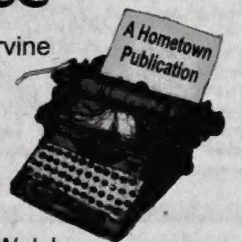
Pastor Daniel Smith
The Lighthouse Pentecostal Church
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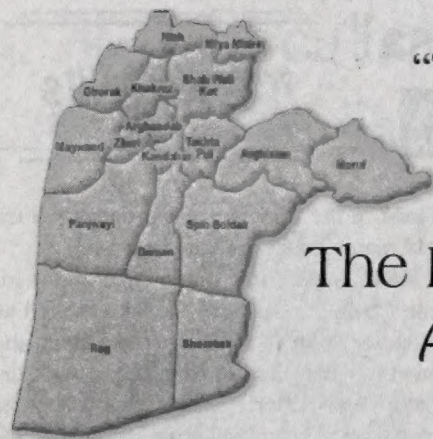


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"Thursday rolled right into Tuesday"

The Road to Kandahar A Soldier's Journal

by Captain David Beatty

Final Steps

During the last 10 days, the Joint Task Force Afghanistan Headquarters (JTFA HQ), commanded by Brigadier-General Denis Thompson has been deployed at CFB Kingston to receive its final validation exercise. The exercise was quite similar to a Bar Exam for a Lawyer or the final medical exams for a Doctor, as successful completion certifies you to practice; failure of course is not an option. In the case of the JTFA HQ, where the lives of Canadian and allied soldiers are in the hands of the various commander's, the exams were realistic and challenging.

As a 7/24 exercise, many of us saw the light of day only when attending meals: days of the week were forgotten as the average workday ran from 0700 until 2200hrs. A duty staff worked around the clock to deal with the various inter-actors which served as part of the computer assisted exercise. In support of the exercise were the various headquarters from the 3 RCR Battle Group which will be deploying next fall as well as representatives from CIDA, the RCMP and the Department of Foreign Affairs. If you were able to look past the melting snow in the parking lot of CFB Kingston one might have thought they were actually in Kandahar.

Throughout the exercise, Observer Controllers (a nice military term for the people who walk around watching and assessing – quite similar to the Grim Reaper, but they wear green instead) made notes on individual and group performance. Every aspect was put under close scrutiny and it seemed just as you were getting things resolved and the system was working fine, they turned up the pace and increased the pressure on the various cells within the headquarters. From a personal point of view, the pace picked up dramatically, to the point where Thursday just rolled right into Tuesday (which, in addition to security concerns, were the reasons why there was no article last week).

On Tuesday 8 April 2008, the headquarters was deemed to be certified and ready for deployment. The final exam was over and we received a passing grade! But there was no time to rest with deployment just under a month away and several final checks to be done. The dipping of uniforms in Permethrine and the issue of anti malaria medication began (we will be arriving just as the malaria season begins). Here I was hoping to avoid the mosquitos and black flies this spring and now it appears that that plan has been shot down. The dipping of uniforms is a unique practice. You are issued a lovely little green packet, containing two large green zip lock bags, two bottles of permetherine and a pair of gloves (handy idea I would think). Now the trick is to pour the water into the bag, add the bottle of Permethrine (shake it up to make a lovely milky mix) and then put the article of clothing in the bag and seal it. The trick is rolling up a pair of pants and getting it to fit in the bag, without tearing the bag, or spilling the 450ml of water you put in the bag (which I am sure is produced by the same company that makes kids toys at Christmas – the parts never fit!).

With uniforms dipped and hung to dry, it was off to get our personal documentation in order. In the large drill hall a series of tables are reserved for the various agencies that have to sign off that an individual is ready for deployment. The military family resource centre ensured that everyone had a copy of their program for spouses and children. The Deployment Resource Centre confirmed that individual's personal data was up to date and their next of kin information was accurate. On the far wall the same happy medics, who sent us off to Texas were lined up, dulling their needles, and looking rather remorseful, as very few individuals were found to be missing inoculations and business was rather slow.

So, with final exams over, and equipment and personal administration in order, JTFA HQ is now ready to deploy. On Friday 11 April 2008, the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario and several Senior Officers from National Defence Headquarters will attend the departure ceremony at CFB Petawawa.

As each day passes we are closer to our deployment. The road, which started in August 2007, has almost come to its end. ■

Scoop Winner

The winner of last month's Scoop contest is Natasha Bunn who called in about the Minden Tim Hortons Roll up the Rim boat winner. Natasha wins \$100 and a chance for \$500 at the end of the year. Remember - if you see or hear about news - call us and you will be entered into the monthly Scoop contest. See pg.21 for more details about the contest.

Highlands Festival Singers

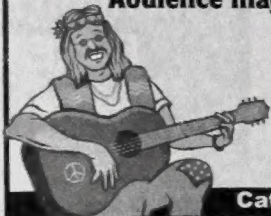
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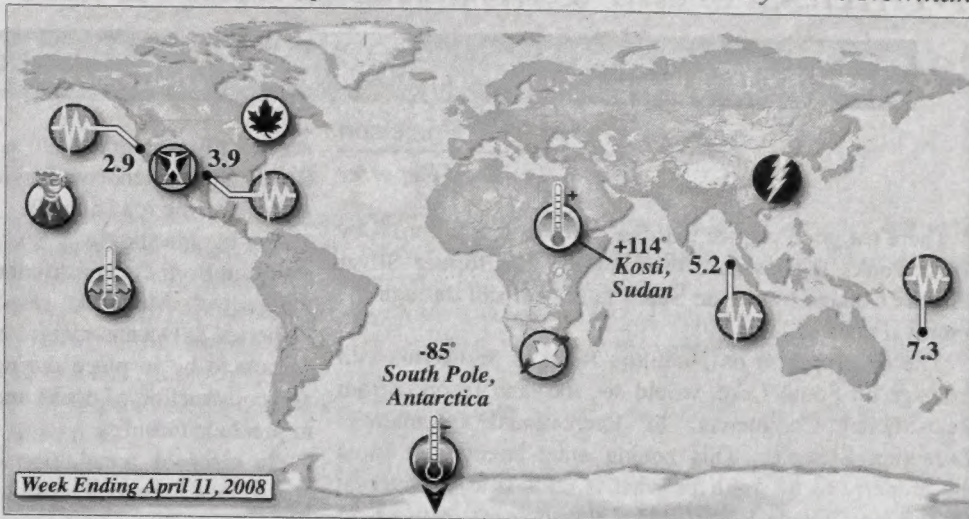


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Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

By Steve Newman



A Cooler Year

The head of the United Nations' weather agency says that the current La Niña ocean cooling in the Pacific will cause global temperatures to be lower this year than in 2007, bucking a trend toward increased planetary warmth. Michel Jarraud told the BBC that La Niña's worldwide cooling effects are likely to continue into the northern summer, depressing temperatures globally by a fraction of a degree. Weather disruptions caused by La Niña over the past several months have included the coldest winter temperatures in memory across snowbound parts of China, and torrential rains in Australia as well as across parts of Africa. Climate experts at Britain's Hadley Center for Climate Prediction and Research say the world can expect another record-warm year within the next five years or less, probably due to another episode of El Niño, the opposite phase from La Niña in the irregular cycle of ocean warming and cooling.

Volcanic Gas Alert

Plumes of toxic gas billowing from Hawaii's Kilauea volcano prompted officials to evacuate about 2,000 people from the Hawaii Volcanoes National Park. Levels of sulfur dioxide as high as 9.1 parts per million were measured within the park's boundaries – nearly five times higher than the 2 parts per million that triggers a declaration of the island's highest alert level. Lesser spikes in sulfur dioxide levels were detected around the city of Hilo, but no evacuations were ordered. The Hawaii Civil Defense Agency advised residents downwind of the volcano to close windows as a precaution against the toxic gas, which can cause breathing difficulties and irritate the eyes, nose and throat.

Bird Starvation

A shift to unseasonably cold and damp weather during late March appears to be the main reason tens of thousands of swallows died suddenly in one South African province. The sight of birds literally falling dead from the sky in Limpopo caused concern that the birds had been poisoned. But BirdLife SA executive director Gerhard Verdoorn said starvation and other nutritional issues killed the birds less than a week before they were due to migrate north to Europe. "Because of this (weather), the birds could not feed properly as it was too wet and too rainy for them to get the food," said Verdoorn. "They became hypothermic and hypoglycemic." Changing climate since about the year 2000 appears to be responsible for an increasing number of bird deaths in South Africa, according to Verdoorn.

Sino Hail Deaths

A freak hailstorm that lasted less than an hour killed at least eight people and injured 66 others in China's Hubei province. The Xinhua news agency reports that more than 10,850 houses collapsed, were flooded or lost roofs during the storm. Flooding or high winds also destroyed 56,000 acres of crops and uprooted thousands of trees and electricity poles.

Earthquakes

A series of undersea earthquakes as strong as magnitude 7.3 rocked the South Pacific island nation of Vanuatu, but none of them caused any damage or injuries.

• Earth movements were also felt in northern Sumatra, southern Texas and northern parts of the San Francisco Bay Area.

Earthen Cure

Researchers from Arizona say they have literally unearthed a natural way to fight deadly "superbug" infections by administering a compound used for thousands of years as a remedy for infected wounds and other health problems. "Clays are little chemical drugstores in a packet," said study co-leader Lynda Williams, a geochemist at Arizona State University in Tempe. She and colleagues collected more than 20 different clay samples from around the world to find out which had the best antibacterial properties. They say they were able to identify at least three that killed or significantly reduced the growth of infective agents like MRSA (methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus), a bacterium that causes a flesh-eating disease known as Buruli ulcer, as well as E. coli and salmonella.

Solid Maple

A lingering freeze and heavy snow pack over eastern Canada have delayed maple syrup producers from tapping into the stream of liquid gold that usually flows each spring. Producers in Quebec and eastern Ontario say they have been forced to dig out pipes buried beneath up to 6 feet of snow, and freezing temperatures mean that the sweet sap is still rock-solid inside the trees. This year's difficulties follow the worst season for maple production in 40 years in 2007. Producers say an extended period of temperatures just below freezing at night and just above freezing each day would unleash a flow of sap strong enough to replenish depleted maple syrup stockpiles.

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Minden Hills Consider South Lake Development Proposal

"This is a proposal for a quality development and year-round resort." (Rick Hunter)

Liz Daniels
Staff Reporter

There's a good chance that the development proposal by Threebrooks Estates Inc. to redevelop the former Silver Birches Cottage Resort on South Lake will sail through the approval process.

The development on Hamilton Road in Snowdon, with frontage on South Lake, would see the land rezoned from Recreational Commercial to Recreational Commercial Exception Sixteen. This zoning amendment will allow the property to be used for what is classed as an Interval Ownership Cottage Resort. The development includes 15 cottages (part of which may become a condo corporation), an owner's residence and recognized accessory uses, including docking and boat launches.

Consultants for the applicant provided an impressive amount of detail about the proposal. Patrick O'Hanlon of Angus Glen Developments, and a partner in the project, said that he met with the Cottage Association about a year ago. At that time, the proposal included 33 single and town home dwellings. Since then, the company has decided the area would be better complemented by 15 single cottages. He said there were as many as 50 people at the meeting and since that time the company has worked hard to ensure their development would improve not only the site, but also the appearance of the resort from the water.

O'Hanlon said the results of a site evaluation report indicate that the refurbishing of the resort will have no negative impact and should prove to be an improvement to the fish habitats. Unsightly trailers are already being removed and the remaining Silver Birches' buildings are scheduled to come down this year.

Michael Michalski of Michalski Nielson Associates in Bracebridge was retained by the company to conduct a detailed environmental analysis of the property as a supplement to their application. According to Michalski the land has been mapped by MNR as a Type 1 Habitat to be maintained and preserved. He provided a detailed review of the results of their investigation, including water/lake quality, the impact of recreational boating (which is not expected to be substantial) and specifics about areas identified as being used by small fish for nursery areas and feeding. Michalski added that through their proposed dock and marina development methods they would be creating additional shade for fish.

Michalski said that as well as communicating with the Ministry of Environment, they would be holding discussions with Fisheries and Oceans to determine what action is required for necessary dredging. All of the homes will be pulled back out of the wetland. Michalski also said the area is very productive in terms of wildlife and they want to maintain that environment for the enjoyment of their visitors and residents.

Specific details were also provided by Yvon Gravel of Pinestone Engineering on the sewage and water systems as well as storm water management. According to Gravel, the sewage system, approved by the Ministry of Environment, will significantly reduce contaminants, and the company's proposal will greatly enhance measures to preserve present water quality.

When asked by Reeve Jim McMahon if anyone was in opposition to the proposal, questions were posed by members of the public about the addition of individual driveways. The driveways have been planned in such a way as to reduce the overall amount of tree removal and to utilize the least amount of land. Questions were also raised about whether the road

needed to be upgraded to accommodate the development. Roads Superintendent, Kevin Hill said there is sufficient setback on the road already.

Another question was asked about the amount of siltation resulting from the construction phase of the project. Michalski responded that Fisheries & Oceans require a sediment curtain to be in place during dredging and construction of docks and landings, to preclude turbidity.

In response to additional questions about tree removal, Michalski said that, while some tree removal would be required, there is a commitment by the applicant to keep tree removal to a minimum and to reintroduce trees and natural plants to the area.

Councillors posed a number of questions about the existing septic system, number of docks, spawning bed areas, the form of ownership of the development, number of wells, road improvements and replacement of vegetation. Rick Hunter, who responded to several of these questions, said, "this is a proposal for a quality development and year-round resort." Hunter advised that the zoning by-law does not allow permanent residents in this zone, adding there will be year-round use, but no permanent occupancy. The turnover of residents is required to be at a maximum of every 12 weeks with the exception of site management personnel.

O'Hanlon introduced the applicant David Hill. O'Hanlon said Hill was the owner of Ballantry Homes and a very successful developer in Ontario with an award-winning community development in Markham. O'Hanlon said that all of the presenters had spent a number of days at the site and were in agreement that they wanted to ensure a development that everyone could enjoy. He said their proposal would

improve the overall look of the area, increase property values and create a relatively maintenance-free environment.

Councillor Rick Ratcliff lives on South Lake and said, "the development can't help but improve the lake as well as property values." Ratcliff spoke about the meetings that the developers had with the Lake Association, saying that everyone was very receptive. Ratcliff said, "the developer will be spending over \$400,000 on water and sewage systems alone." He also said the overall feeling from the Association was that the development would be a "real plus for the lake".

When the County Voice sought comments from the Lake Association, their President Gail Rowett says she was personally pleased to see the original plans revamped.

Rowett says that most of the members who attended the meeting with the developers felt that the 33 units originally proposed would have been far too dense for the lake. Rowett said, "compared to what's there now, there will be a huge environmental improvement." She said the site had been very run down and will be much more appealing. Rowett also said the development should definitely improve property values on the lake.

Rowett added that, at times, the greatest traffic on the lake is from pontoon boats and she is not concerned about increased boat traffic. Rowett said that she had been keeping her ear to the ground, and hasn't heard any valid complaints about the development.

In her final comments, Rowett said that she had been on the lake for many years and it has had some ups-and-downs, but this was definitely going to be an upswing. That is, she said, "apart from my wish to win the lottery and have my own cottage there." ■

"This will be a real plus for the lake". (Councillor Rick Ratcliffe)

Signs - When Do You Make A Request for Approval?

That is the Question...

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>> no solid statistics to indicate any real problem with the by-law other than a few people putting up signs without permits. He said the by-law had only been in place for nine months and it needed to be given a bit of time.

Knowles also said that the by-law wasn't meant to inhibit people, but to see some conformity in signage. He didn't want to see any changes made to the by-law unless there was a history of problems and statistics to back them up.

Deputy Reeve Bill Davis agreed with Knowles saying the matter had been brought forward because of "basic technicalities." For that reason he said he didn't recommend changes at this time either, adding that if that was the case (making changes each time a change was made): "We would be asking for a permit every time the price of gas changes."

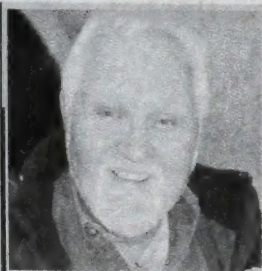
Given the fact that the by-law is relatively new, Sayers asked where they were to draw the line. He agreed that the one Foodland sign was similar to what was there before, but asked what would have been expected if it had been "twice the size with flashing lights." Matt Aldom commented that he recognized the need for a change in corporate message with Foodland, but one sign had been replaced in its entirety and was three times its original size.

Councillor Steve Pogue asked if staff were following up with

other companies who have changed signs without requesting approval. Sayers responded that they have been following up on the changes but given some of the responses he believes Council will be approached by companies that don't wish to comply with the regulations. Pogue said he felt Council must support and enforce the by-law. Councillor Janis Parker said the staff must be proactive as well and when they see changes being made they should let people and companies know what's required of them.

Fearrey reminded Council that they do have the authority to grant relief in some circumstances, but that no Committee had been established yet to review requests. In response to this Councillors Andrea Roberts and Derek Knowles agreed to sit on a Sign Committee. Fearrey will act as an ex-officio member and serve as a tie breaker if any problems are encountered. Roberts commented that she saw the process as being one to protect the Municipality and retain its beauty, not to stifle business activity.

In conversation after the meeting, Fearrey said, "This isn't a simple issue. It was hard to get the by-law right in the first place." He said Council must try to have everyone meet the standard set. Fearrey also said, "There will always be exceptions which makes this a work in progress." ■



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Julia Fedeski and Samantha Tallman in Mississauga Tournament



Julia Fedeski and Samantha Tallman

Haliburton Highlands were well represented in last weekend's Ontario Women's Hockey Association Provincial Finals held in Mississauga. Samantha Tallman (13), daughter of Doug and Patti Tallman of Haliburton, is a forward with the Peterborough Ice Kats Bantam A team and Julia Fedeski (11), daughter of Michele Bromley and John Fedeski of Boshkung Lake, plays defence for the Pee wee AA Barrie

Sharks.

Each team must win its regionals before advancing to the provincial finals. This is Samantha's third year in Peterborough Girl's hockey, and Julia's first with the Sharks. Last year Julia played with the Highland Storm Atom A team that went to the provincial finals.

The Peterborough Ice Kats won their first two games, beating teams from Brampton and Barrie, before tying the Sault 2-2. In the quarterfinals they beat Sudbury, then lost to the eventual Gold medal winners, the Clarington Flames. In their final game they beat the Mississauga Chiefs 4-0 to claim the Bronze Medal.

The Pee wee AAs beat teams from Aurora, Kanata and Burlington by identical 1-0 scores to reach the final round. In the semi final they beat Waterloo, again by a 1-0 score. In the final they were down 2-0 to the Ancaster Avalanche before they came back to tie the game and eventually win the Gold in overtime 3-2.

Both Julia and Samantha got a great hockey grounding here in Haliburton, but as Samantha's mother Patti says, "At some point girls need to play in a girls' league - and there wasn't anything in Samantha's age group here in Haliburton. It's really good that we've had a good Atom team here in Haliburton for the past couple of years for the girls coming up. Samantha loves her hockey, is good at it, and has made lots of friends through the Peterborough organization."

Travel hockey does take a serious parental commitment, but Julia Fedeski's mom, Michele, is very happy the family made the decision to play for Barrie: "there certainly was a lot of travel, but Julia just loved it. In November we were in a big tournament in Pittsburgh where we came in second - Mario Lemieux's daughter was on the winning team, and Mario was in the stands watching - and the level of competition and coaching is really excellent."

Next year both girls will be competing again for their respective teams. Girls' hockey is one of the fastest growing sports in Canada, and hopefully the Highland Storm will continue to provide the training ground and base for even more girls. The Storm held an open ice call for girls at the end of March this year and is hoping to have enough players to support both an Atom and a Bantam team. This year's Atom team had a successful season as well, and organizers, Ginny Marsden and Shannon Feir, would like to let parents know that spring registration is just around the corner. For further information you can contact Ms. Marsden at 457-5297. ■



Samantha Tallman and her Mom Patti

So Close Yet So Far Obsidian Comes in Second Place at Battle of the Bands Finale

When we last brought you an article on the boys from Obsidian in the Thursday, March 20 edition of The Voice, they were on their way to battle it out against Sons and Lovers in the final round of Toronto's Battala Rockstar Battle of the Bands.

Well, the guys put on one heck of a show at the Tattoo Rock Parlour club on Queen St. on March 31. Unfortunately, their valiant efforts to capture the coveted title as "Canada's Next Rock Stars" just didn't seem to be enough for the judges.

"I'm personally dumbfounded that they didn't win," said Andrea Caldwell, Publicist for Obsidian.

According to guitarist Ryan Chalmers, the club was packed full of Obsidian lovers.

"The entire room was full of our fans. They were all so supportive - it was electric," said Chalmers on the phone while heading to the recording studio.

The judges responsible for critiquing the bands and deciding the final outcomes were: music journalist Karen Bliss (Rollingstone Magazine), Juno Award-Winning producer Gavin Brown and Jeremy Taggart of Our Lady Peace.

Chalmers said that as soon the decision was made, the judges got up and took off, without saying a word.

"They split out of there. They knew that the room was about to explode," said Chalmers.

Although the young rockers were defeated in the competition, they left with their pride and confidence intact. Chalmers also said that this was a positive experience for the band in many ways.

"With the build-up to the show, we got much press and activity on our web site."

The band is continuing to move forward. They are about to head out on a tour that includes Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec City. They are also planning on putting on a show at the Rockliffe in Minden on Friday, May 9. To keep up-to-date with what the band is doing, visit www.myspace.com/darkshinyrock. ■



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Letters to the Editor Cont'd...

"Sick! Sick! Sick!"

Dear Editor

Canadian film makers are griping because the Conservative Government refuses to fund their immoral, sexually graphic movies with our tax dollars. Why should we as taxpayers fund smutty movies like the one that portrays a woman fantasizing about having sexual relations with dead corpses? Sick! Sick! Sick!

I laud Prime Minister Harper for taking a stand on the side of right. If these pinheaded movie [producers won't make family friendly movies, then forget public funding.

Let's stop this madness. Canada must get back to our Christian moral roots.

Sincerely

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Suzanne Partridge to Chair Crowe Valley Conservation Authority

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

Suzanne Partridge, long time resident of Highlands East and Municipal Councillor has recently been appointed to the position of Chair for the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority (CVCA).

Partridge says "My interest in the Conservation Authority started way back, about the same time as my interest in municipal politics." A friend convinced her to leap into the political fray and run for a position on Cardiff Township. Coincidentally, this friend was the Chair of the CVCA at the time. Partridge was successful in her campaign and was duly elected as a Municipal Councillor in 1997, one term prior to the amalgamation of Highlands East.

Municipal Councils always have committee responsibilities for their Councilors to assume and when Highlands East amalgamated Partridge agreed to sit on the CVCA Board. "I love it," she says, adding that she looks forward to the meetings and to working with people with like interests about the quantity and quality of water in the area. Partridge, who has since taken training in lake sampling and testing, says that she very much believes in the Conservation Authority in general and in particular protecting communities from flood damages.

The Crowe Valley Conservation Authority, which covers an area of 2,000 square kilometres in Southeastern Ontario, was formed in November of 1958. The Crowe River system flows into the Trent River system which empties into the Bay of Quinte in Lake Ontario. Their offices were originally in Peterborough, but they relocated to the Village of Havelock in 1975 and finally a building was purchased in Marmora in 1979 where they are still located.

The CVCA works with its member municipalities and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. They operate 13 dams and weirs along the Crowe River (including one at Paudash Lake where Partridge lives) and maintain a stream-flow forecasting centre to help reduce the threat of flooding. They have an agreement with Fisheries and Oceans which enables them to assist residents, municipalities and cottagers with any construction plans around fish habitat.

The CVCA also owns and maintains four conservation areas including the Crowe Bridge Conservation Area, the Gut Conservation Area, Callaghan's Rapids Conservation

Area and the McGeachie Conservation Area. The CVCA also manages a former agreement forest property.

Stated simply, the objectives of the CVCA include: developing and maintaining programs that will protect life and property from natural hazards like flooding and erosion; ensuring that rivers, lakes and streams are properly safeguarded, managed and restored; to protect, manage and restore woodlands, wetlands and natural habitats and establishing outdoor recreational areas that the public can enjoy, learn from and increase respect for their natural environment.

Partridge was appointed as Chair in February of this year. In her present position with the CVCA, Partridge chairs all meetings, sets agendas and works with their General Manager on an ongoing basis. Another part of her role is to represent the CVCA at Conservation

Ontario, an umbrella organization responsible for lobbying, disseminating information, establishing sub-committees and handling the funds for the Source Water Protection Management Committee.

As a member of the CVCA Board, Partridge says she had an opportunity to assist in the development of their Generic Regulations. These regulations, finalized last year, control fill or construction projects being considering on any water body. Permits are required for activity that would straighten, change, divert or interfere with the existing channel of a river, creek, stream, watercourse, wetlands or, as Partridge put it "right down to a puddle." This would also include any development that could have an impact on the control of flooding, erosion, beaches, pollution or conservation of land.

As Partridge says, "It only becomes a flood when there is development in the area rather than a natural cycle that recharges aquifers and replenishes the land."

The CVCA puts out information each year on flood preparations which in turn becomes part of Municipal Emergency Plans. The CVCA will also offer assistance in assessing situations for municipal representatives that are responsible for emergency response. This can be of particular importance in the spring when flood warnings are often in place.

As of Friday, April 11th, an official flood warning was issued for the Crowe River watershed system and people are strongly urged to stay away from dams, water control structures or shorelines that could be unstable because of melting ice. CBCA staff will continue to monitor the situation on a 24-hour 7 day a week basis and the flood warning will remain in effect until further notice. Along with many other municipalities in the CVCA's control district, the warning includes areas in Highlands East. ■



Have Your Say... VOX POP

We asked people what they thought of the new rules being imposed on cigarette vendors through the Smoke-Free Ontario Act. How do you feel about it?



Gerry Hogaboan, Redstone Lake - "It's an excellent idea. It (smoking) isn't a healthy habit. I understand that people make their own lifestyle choices, but cigarettes shouldn't be easily accessible. It's part of the government's role to raise awareness of substances that are dangerous to us and to make those difficult to obtain."



Marilyn Frost, Haliburton - "All they're doing is covering it up. The only way kids will stop smoking is if parents and their elders around them make them stop. I'm sure that not seeing the products isn't going to make them think that they're not there."



Melinda O'Mara, Haliburton - "Kids are going to smoke. It doesn't matter. It's not fair to retailers that they have to spend money for this. If they got a grant to help them, it would be a different thing."



Mark Hewson, Redstone Lake - "Why are they forcing them (retailers) to hide something they're selling? The government makes these rules and we have to pay for them. They should help pay for these small businesses to make the changes. People will just start to buy their cigarettes elsewhere. I don't think it'll stop people from smoking."



Crystal Valteau, Lindsay - "People are only ready to stop (smoking) when they are ready. If the government is trying to help promote healthy lifestyles, they should provide vendors with help for doing this."



Tammy Wilson, Carnarvon - "If someone is going to buy cigarettes they will continue to do so. This does make life harder for the people selling the products. It ends up always being the hardest for them."

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Getting Tough on Tobacco

The Smoke-Free Ontario Act Ready to Set Out Changes for Retailers

Mark Arike
Staff Reporter

Come Saturday, May 31, tobacco retailers will need to change the way they do things in a big way.

On that day, retailers that display, handle and promote tobacco products will have to follow some tougher guidelines. Tobacco products may no longer be displayed in stores and must be located in proper storage and dispensing systems.

Before obtaining tobacco-related items, consumers cannot view or handle the products until they have actually purchased them. When re-stocking products or opening storage devices, store owners are responsible to ensure that their products can't be seen by consumers. The only time it is acceptable for an item to be in sight is when the seller is opening the storage device to transfer the product to the consumer.

Promotional materials for tobacco products will also be impacted by The Smoke-Free Ontario Act. Decorative panels or backdrops, illuminated panels, promotional lighting and three-dimensional exhibits will all be banned. There are also several specific rules that outline the types of signage that are appropriate.

These new restrictions will be enforced under the Act, which was first established on May 31, 2006. When introduced, it prohibited smoking in enclosed places in Ontario. It also restricted how tobacco products are to be displayed and promoted. These tobacco products include: cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, pipe tobacco and any other products that contain tobacco.

Each year, millions of dollars are spent in Canada by tobacco companies for advertising. Between January and June of 2007, over \$15,000,000 alone was paid out to retailers in Ontario for product signs and displays. Over \$50 million was spent in the entire country for similar advertising over those six months, according to Health Canada.

Fines for breaking the rules could cost a corporation a maximum of \$10,000 for a first-time offence and up to \$150,000 for three or more offences, while an individual could face a maximum fine of \$4,000 for a first offence and \$100,000 for three or more offences.

Vendors will receive some help when it comes to ensuring that they fully understand and adapt to the changes.

"The Public Health Unit will work with tobacco vendors to educate them about the changes coming into effect on May 31," said Greg Flood, Ministry of Health Promotions Spokesperson.

"Tobacco control officers pay a visit to tobacco vendors once a year," says Anne-Marie Cyr, Tobacco Program Manager for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit. A newsletter was also sent out to vendors at the beginning of March to provide them with further educational information, and in May the officers will offer interactive workshops to vendors in the County, said Cyr.

"Vendors are our first priority," said Cyr. "It is our priority to ensure that they are knowledgeable about the

law."

Jim Henwood, Owner of Henwood's Variety, recognizes that the new rules will soon come into effect, but says they won't do much to deter the smoking population. He estimates he will have to spend \$750 - \$1000 to install the new shelving for his store display.

"I don't think it'll stop people from smoking," said Henwood. It will however make a difference in the way that Henwood and his employees can deal with tobacco product purchasers.

"If a customer asked about what is cheaper, I could make a suggestion but I couldn't describe a product. I think it will be a shock to consumers."

He will also have to ensure that the handling and filling of the products is handled differently.

"When we open the cabinet to get a product, it will have to close as soon as we let go of it. Also, if a shipment comes in, we can't fill up the product during business hours."

Henwood says that this will be an educational process for everyone.

"The customer is going to have to know what they want when they come in here. I'd say that 95 per cent of people know what they want, while the remainder might know what they want but won't have enough money for it, so they'll

ask for whatever is the cheapest brand."

At the Jug City in Haliburton, owner Hoon Cho also spoke about the changes

that will have to take place at his convenience store when the restrictions are implemented.

"I will put up a 30" LCD TV where items in the store will be shown," said Cho about the new addition.

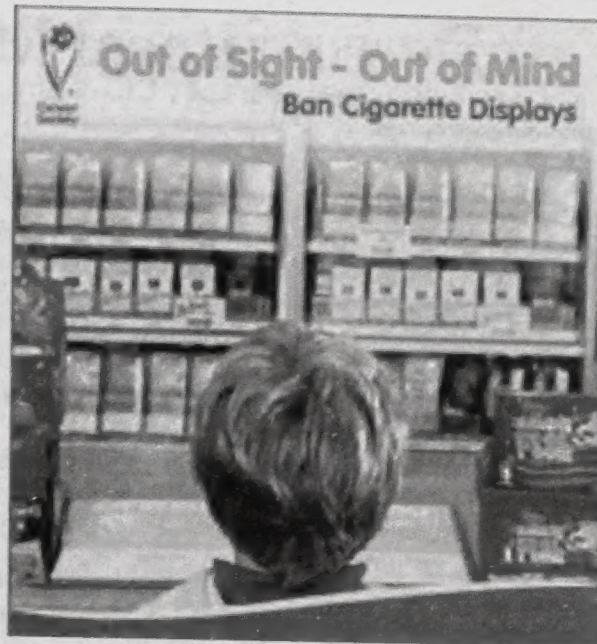
No tobacco related items will be projected on this TV that will be in place behind the counter in the middle of the cigarette display. He is also going to rearrange some of the shelving and will need to install doors that flip up to cover all tobacco-related products.

"I will start doing it in the middle of May," he said.

Todd's Independent Store Manager Steve Todd, says that the necessary changes won't require too much of an adjustment.

"We have a very modern store. All we'll need to do is put up some curtains that block the view of the cigarettes and take down some signs," says Todd.

Meanwhile, at Bob and Wendy's Foodland in Haliburton,



the changes to the cigarette counter will be significant and will cost approximately \$10,000. Store Owner Bob Park said us that he will be installing the new fixtures himself. Even the cigar humidor in the store will need to be replaced due to the new regulations.

"There can't be anything on the outside of it to advertise the cigars. The outside door has to be camouflaged so that people can't see what's inside. When someone comes looking to buy a cigar, we'll have to give them a catalogue which they can look and pick from," said Park.

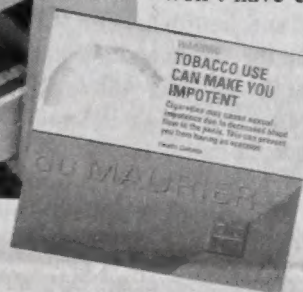
He says that he's seen the sales of cigarettes decrease because of the door in the store that conceals tobacco products behind the customer service desk.

"We've been getting in the habit of closing that door. Sales have gone down because of it," Park has also been informing cashiers of the new procedures that they will have to follow.

"The cashiers will have to sign a policy at the beginning of their shift each day to show that they are aware of what's expected," he said.

According to the Ministry of Health and Promotion Web Site, there are over 1.7 million smokers in Ontario aged 15 and older.

So will these new laws of the land deter youth from picking up this bad habit? And will they reduce a smoker's temptation to buy their next pack? Stay tuned. ■



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Local Man Assaulted; Motive Still a Mystery & Assailants Still at Large

"A Very Serious and Nasty Case"

Rumours are rife across Haliburton County after the serious assault committed last Saturday night at Codfather's Restaurant in Haliburton Village.

"It's a very serious and nasty case," an OPP official commented. But the OPP is refusing to release any more details about the circumstances

surrounding the mysterious attack on Codfather's Owner Stuart Tilling.

Sheldon Nicholls, an employee of Codfather's told the Voice on Wednesday, "He's doing well." Since re-opening their doors for business yesterday, Nicholls said that customers have been showing their concern. "A few people today have been asking how Stu is doing. They've also been bringing in cards."

Though police wouldn't give out specific details about the attack, it is believed that it occurred when two men were

members of the Central Region Emergency Response Team and the Canine Unit. Highland St. was closed down for a period of time.

The suspect(s) are described as male, 25 years of age and both were wearing hoodies. McMaster couldn't confirm whether the attackers were local, nor could he say if they had fled the area.

"This investigation involves a lot of leg work," said McMaster.

Since the incident happened, rumours in the village have spread like wildfire. Some speculate that this was a random attack while others feel that the victim may have been targeted.

Two days after the crime, there were still many businesses owners who were unaware of what had taken place. Those who had heard some of the vague details about the incident were left asking the question: 'How could this happen in our town?'

"I think everyone is concerned," said Jim Henwood, Owner of Henwood's Variety.

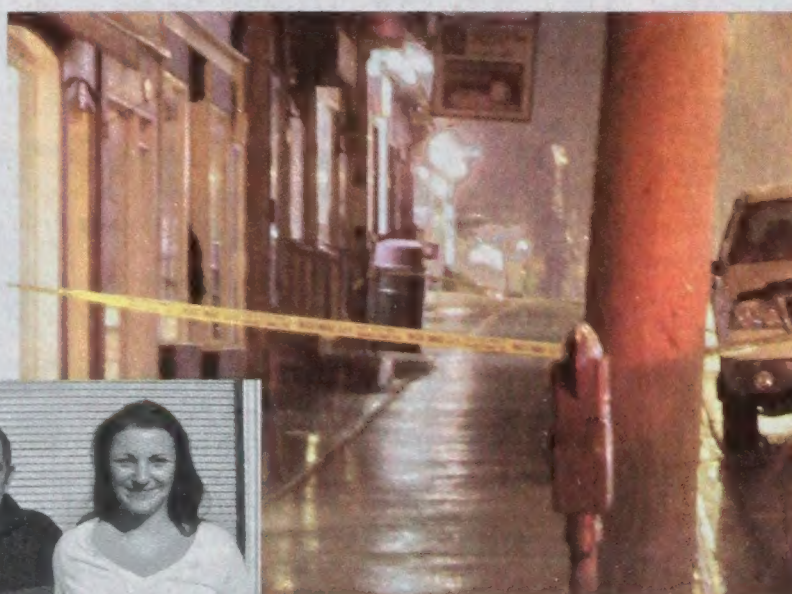
"There's no doubt that it's unnerving," Henwood said that police came into his business, asking if he had cameras on the outside of the building.

"A lot of stuff has been going on here," said Renni Bonfield, owner of Country Pickin's. Bonfield said that his car has been broken into once before while it was parked in the village.

"I never thought I'd have to fear for my safety," said Mary Chvedukas, owner of Kitchens Etcetera. "We moved out of the city to get away from this kind of stuff," said Chvedukas.

"It makes every vendor worried," said Bob Park, owner of Bob and Wendy's Foodland. Park told his staff to ensure they leave the store with another person after locking up.

The O.P.P is asking those with information on the incident to contact the O.P.P. Communications Centre at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.



Codfather owners Stuart and Melissa Tilling

granted entry to the building shortly after 9:00 p.m. (The restaurant had shut its doors at 8 pm.) In a media release issued by the Haliburton Highlands O.P.P., it states that the victim was inside when two males entered the business and confronted him. The suspect(s) began to assault the victim and eventually fled the scene. Several officers along with EMS personnel arrived shortly after receiving a 911 call. Police won't say who made the call.

"His injuries were serious enough that he was sent to Sunnybrook hospital," said Community Liason Officer Mark McMaster.

A search for the suspect(s) was conducted by



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Kennisis Lake Compromise

Requests made by Shall-May Holdings to rezone Island C in Kennisis Lake and amend the Official Plan to allow development on the island have been approved. The decision reached by Dysart Council at their meeting on Monday was made so that consideration would be given to requests made at the public meeting on April 7th.

Municipal Planner, Pat Martin advised Council that there was some controversy about Shall-May's proposal and concerns were expressed during the public meeting. In particular, members from the Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners Association noted that a peer review should be completed prior to changes being made to the zoning by-law.

The Committee suggested deferring the zoning by-law amendment until the County's peer review process is conducted, their public meeting takes place and the change to the Official Plan is approved and becomes official. The Cottage Association

raised concerns that most of the people who might oppose the development are not at the lake now and are unaware of what's happening. This will give them the additional time they are hoping for.

Residents who wish to make recommendations or comments at the County level about changes to the Official Plan and the resulting development will also have the opportunity to attend the County's public meeting. Martin said anyone that wants to make a presentation at the meeting could make their request through her. She said the process will take at least six months and would give everyone ample opportunity to have their comments heard.

Council passed a resolution accepting the recommendation of the Planning Committee to adopt the changes. The resolution defers the change to the zoning by-law until the Official Plan amendment is approved by the County and the site plan agreement is approved. ■

Dysart Council Support Uranium Moratorium

This week the Dysart et al Municipal Council passed a resolution asking the Province of Ontario to initiate a moratorium on uranium mining. Their action was a result of a request for support from the Municipality of Highlands East who took their own stand about uranium mining and exploration on April 8th.

Reeve Murray Fearrey spoke to Council about the commitment made by the Province to put the moratorium in place, and their subsequent failure to do so. Fearrey said he's been getting a number of calls from people speaking out against open pit uranium mining. Fearrey also said that even if the Council passed the resolution it didn't mean they're against mining, but are looking for more investigation and information before further mining activity is allowed.

Deputy Reeve Bill Davis spoke against the resolution, saying that the Dysart Council has always held the position they would not deal with issues that did not directly affect their own municipality. He said he would not support the resolution, given decisions Council has made in the past. Fearrey commented that there could be an impact from open-

pit mining to areas of Dysart, depending on the prevailing winds.

Both Davis and Councillor Steve Pogue voted against the resolution, but it passed. Council will forward their request to the Province of Ontario and Premier McGuinty to initiate an immediate moratorium on uranium mining and associated activity until all environmental and health related issues associated with it are resolved.

The resolution asks the Premier and Province to give favorable consideration to similar petitions from other municipalities in Ontario. It also requests a comprehensive review of the Mining Act, particularly with a view to curtail the present system where sub-surface rights of mineral claims dominate the surface rights of private landowners. ■

911 Calls Not Working in Highlands East

Highlands East Councillor Gary Stoughton had some strong words about the 911 dispatch system at the Council meeting on Tuesday. "How can a 911 dispatcher in Lindsay determine that a call is not life threatening?" asked Stoughton.

Stoughton raises this concern after a local 81 year old woman fell and the 911 dispatcher refused to contact the Fire Department. He said, "She could have died before the ambulance arrived." Stoughton's issue is that it takes an ambulance 25 minutes to arrive in Highlands East when the Fire Department can respond in minutes. And he wants changes made to the 911 system. (According to Fire Chief Bill Wingrove, the average ambulance time last year was 27 minutes to Highlands East so Stoughton was pretty close with his numbers.)

Stoughton says, "The rules may work just fine in Lindsay, but they're not good for rural areas like Highlands East." He spoke of another incident where a man had fallen and hit his head in very close proximity to the Fire Hall but, according to Stoughton, the 911 dispatcher refused to call the Fire Department.

Wingrove has been speaking with EMS Director, Pat Kennedy in efforts to understand why the 911 system has established new criteria that detail specific circumstances under which Fire Departments will not be called out (heart problems, difficulty with breathing, etc.) Wingrove says he would like to pursue this further, adding that he may require a Council resolution if they hope to see any change made to the system. He agreed that the system works in places like Minden or Haliburton as there are ambulances located in those municipalities. It is Wingrove's hope to see all 911 calls in Highlands East go to the Fire Department as well as calling out an ambulance. A hope that is shared by Stoughton.

Council agreed that Wingrove should investigate this concern further and report back to them. ■

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The Highland Cup ... Failure or Success?

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

Highland Cup promoter Harold Foyster said, "Well, we survived, but barely!" Foyster made the comment to Dysart Council at their meeting on Monday. And despite a financial statement showing almost \$19,000 in net loss to date, Foyster said the event was a great success.

Before going any further, Foyster was quick to add that, "without the support of Heather, my better half, we wouldn't have made it."

According to Foyster, people in the area now realize just what type of event the Highland Cup is, and how much it can benefit the community and surrounding area. He said, "It's evident the event can help to put Haliburton on the map," adding, "the resulting response from fans, sponsors, drivers and SCM officials has been overwhelming." According to Foyster, "they want it back."

Foyster does have some suggestions for improvements to make the event more comfortable next year for both racers and fans. He would like to move the track location to Rotary Beach, which will create more room for track expansion and parking. Foyster explained that at Rotary beach, they would be able to exert better control of the admission gate, and it would still allow local and visiting snowmobile enthusiast's uninterrupted access to town during the event.

Councillor Andrea Roberts commented that more local people would have attended if the admission price had been slightly less, adding that the admission had been tough for people with children. Foyster said he had been considering this, and suggested that he might lower the admission to \$15 a day and \$25 for the weekend next year.

Councillor Janis Parker said she had heard comments like, "I have to pay to get into our own park!" She suggested that some 'pre-press' about the cost to put on the event might help people understand the cost of tickets.

Concern was raised about the potential for conflict with the use of Rotary Beach and church attendance.

Foyster said that the drivers and their trailers would

not be in the parking lot itself, but in the back. He also said that events would not get underway until noon on Sunday.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said that the only negative aspect to the event was, "the stuff left on the ice." He complimented the job that had been done, but said that it had taken far too long. (Council's agenda package included several letters of complaint calling the site an eyesore and voicing concerns about environmental damage.)

Foyster said that he didn't have enough volunteers to help with the clean-up and he'd been caught by rain followed by a rapid drop in temperature. He said he didn't want to ruin the fencing as it had cost so much. Foyster also spoke of his plans to remove any remaining debris from along the shoreline by the end of the week.

Foyster also said that next year he would not require the fence as early and that he would be plowing an area 1000' x 600' and keeping it completely clear of snow. He said that he wanted to flood early to make a public skating rink possible as early as Christmas. Councillor Parker suggested that this might be an opportunity to add a speed skating competition before the races.

Deputy Reeve Bill Davis commented that he hoped to see more sponsors next year, adding that if there is more local support it would be a much better event and more financially viable. Foyster said that seeing their names on the track really means something to sponsors, adding that Haliburton Lumber, who were initially reluctant, are very excited about being a sponsor next year.

And speaking about money, what about the \$2,000 that Council contributed to the event? At the time the donation was made there had been an understanding at the Council meeting that the money might be returned should the event be successful. According to CAO Tammy McKelvey, the money was classified as an official donation. Taking a look at the financial statements pretty much kept the subject off the table.

For their part, Council was unanimous in thinking the event had been good for local business and supported the return of the Highland Cup next year. ■

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The Dorset Recreational Centre Committee, along with the Writers and Editors Network and the Haliburton Arts Council organized the event. Singers, songwriters, speakers and other artists from the area gave those in attendance a taste of their talent.

Though the weather may have had an impact on the number who turned out, it didn't put a damper on the evening for those who came. Melissa Alfano, Recreations Coordinator said that 45 tickets were sold in advance for the event out of 75 available.

Some of those who took to the stage included: Lizann Flatt of Baysville who read a short children's story she wrote, while musician and artist Albert John Saxby of Wilberforce captivated listeners with some of his original works. Zoe Chilco, songstress from Camarvon, also sang her heart out with "love-inspired" lyrics.

"I think it's a great idea to mix music and art," said Huntsville artist Janine Marson.

"This is a wonderful way to meet people," said Vicki Todds, artist from Dwight. "You get introduced to a lot of creativity here. This area (the Highlands) is becoming a mecca for the arts," added Todds. Those in attendance also praised the event for how it showcased talent from such a large arts community. They also didn't seem to mind the wine either, which was provided by Muskoka Lakes Winery.

"We've had a really good turnout for this event to celebrate the arts. It keeps growing every year," said Alfano. ■

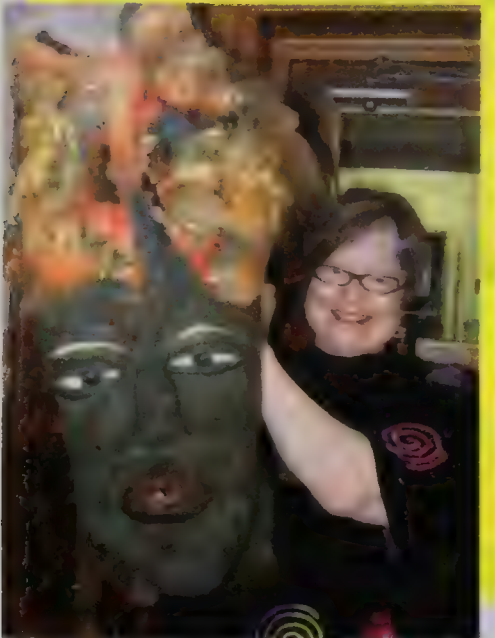
Highlands Music Festival



Choir members from Stuart Baker Elementary school sing in harmony as they cap off four days of festivities at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. The festival ran from Tuesday, April 8 – Friday, April 11. The students from Stuart Baker were scheduled to perform on Friday, but because of freezing rain weather conditions, had their performance date bumped up to Monday. The group was led by Janice Benoit along with the accompaniment of Marit LaPierre. Songs sung included "Cuckoo Bear" and "Anything We Do" during the final show for parents and family.

The festival was a way for kids to find the joy in performing without the stresses of being judged.

A highlights concert will be held this Saturday at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Tickets can be purchased for \$5 by either calling Len Pizzezy at 457-1363 or June Smith at 457-2950.



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Haliburton Forest's Proposal Gets a Green Light

Liz Daniels
Staff Reporter

**"Schleifenbaum
is a forward
thinking forest
manager."**

It looks like the proposal by Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve to build a sawmill and an energy generating facility on County Road 7 in Guilford may be a go. The proposal, which will necessitate changes to the Official Plan and Zoning By-law, was reviewed at Dysart's Public Planning Meeting last Monday. After circulation of the proposal, no comments were received and no formal objections were made at the public meeting.

At present, the zoning of the property is Rural Type One and the proposal will require a change to General Industrial Exception No. Seven. According to Municipal Planner Pat Martin, the proposal meets all requirements for air quality and noise under the Environmental Protection Act and is a "green energy initiative". Martin says that the site is located on a height of land that is for the most part level and well drained. It is also well vegetated and the applicant plans to maintain a vegetation buffer along the road to screen the development.

The Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve, owned by Peter Schleifenbaum, includes 25,000 hectares of land, and while they are not all part of the proposal, there are forestry operations conducted on the land that the sawmill will service. The sawmill, which will be housed in a 80' x 200' steel building will also house the existing EcoLog mill and home kit business. The development will also include construction of a power generation plant that will use biomass technology or gasification of wood product waste including chips and sawdust from the sawmill.

The gasification process generates a 'producer gas' that can be used for heat or to generate electricity. The plant will power the sawmill and other accessory buildings on the property and any excess power will be sold back to Hydro One. Other buildings included in the development

include an office, a lumber shed, a chip storage shed and lumber kiln. Depending on the success of wind energy technology testing, the applicant may also construct wind turbines some time in the future.

During the public meeting, questions were raised about traffic flow, and in particular logging trucks, from what was termed as, "this huge undertaking". Martin responded that County Roads had reviewed the proposal and had no concerns about traffic. She also said that logging traffic will now simply be visiting a local site as opposed to traveling out side of the County. When concerns were raised that a lot of smaller independent haulers may also be coming into the area, Paul Wilson, acting as agent for Schleifenbaum, said that it was not the owners' intention to attract more haulers.

Some quick calculations did indicate that at peak periods, the development could result in as much as 35 percent more truck traffic on the road. Councillor Janis Parker raised a concern about additional traffic causing damage to roads already stressed, saying that she wanted to ensure the development would not create more problems. Paul Wilson

said that half-load seasons continue to be applied. Martin later confirmed that the 35 percent increase resulted in one additional truck per day.

Discussions also took place regarding the amount of wood needed to fuel this operation. Councillor Janis Parker said that Schleifenbaum's plans "would not come close to what could sustainably be harvested from the Haliburton Forest's land." She said, "he is a forward thinking forest manager."

Luke Cooper, who works at the existing EcoLog Mill, talked about the rate of timber used for Haliburton Forest's purposes and the variables associated with using different types of woods for various purposes. Cooper spoke about Schleifenbaum's experience in sustainable forest management as well.

Council passed a resolution at their meeting this Monday recommending approval of the Official Plan amendment. Council also accepted the recommendation of the Planning Committee to approve the zoning by-law amendment but agreed to defer passing the by-law, pending execution of the official site plan agreement. ■

Hiking in Haliburton County

Students of Fleming College Tie-In Education with Exercise

Mark Arike
Staff Reporter

Students of the Ecotourism and Adventure Tourism program at Fleming College in Haliburton put their best foot forward as they tried to impress members of The Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network.

On Tuesday, April 8 at Fleming's Haliburton campus, students gave 10-minute presentations on their ideas for future hiking ventures that would take place across the County. The groups came up with their own activities for the themed hikes that would educate participants about different elements of the environment.

"We call these applied projects," said Ecotourism Professor Val Bishop. "They're providing interpretive elements to the hike experience."

Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network first approached Bishop in January of this year with the applied project idea for the students.

The group is looking to add five of these hikes to the 6th annual Hike Haliburton Festival, set to run from Oct. 17-19. Members of the organization pre-determined the hike locations. For example, one of the hikes titled "The Wonder of Wetlands" is a three-hour trek set in Snowdon Township. It is a tour that will educate hikers about wetlands and the benefits they provide to humans and the ecosystem.

"We were looking to give hikers something new to look forward to," said Executive Director for the Trails and Tours Network Sam Davies. "We're hoping to put all of them through," she said of the proposals.

Following each presentation, the panel was able to ask questions. The only problem being each presenter did a thorough job in providing detailed facts.

"They're all so well explained that you really don't have a lot of questions!" said Davies.

Bishop says she strongly believes in the project because it allows students to turn an assignment into a valuable and practical piece of material.

"They had to work hard to link their assignment in with the community. Now they can take this real assignment and show everyone what they can do," she said. "This was engaging and it helps them make connections with a cultural experience as well as the environment."

As for the hikes in October, Davies is asking anyone interested in volunteering their services to contact the Trails and Tours Network at info@trailsandtours.com. ■



Students were given the task as part of a major assignment for their course worth 25 per cent of their final mark. Each project included a comprehensive list of what their hike would require such as: the items needed, the total cost, who would be involved and what trail routes would be taken.

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Want Some Tea With Those Ashes?

Loop Troupe Little Theatre at the Lloyd Watson Centre

It was a "reunion" for the ages as members of the Loop Troupe put on their latest play at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce on Friday, April 11 and Saturday, April 12.

"Funeral Tea," "Reunion" and "Ashes to Ashes, Crust to Crust," three short plays that make up "Farewell Jacob Starkie" by Pat Wilson evolve around the passing of Jacob Starkie, a character whose cremated remains are left in the hands of his nieces. The only problem is that they don't understand how to follow proper cremation etiquette.

The setting of this 90-minute comedy takes place in the front parlour of a modest house in Yorkshire, England. Each scene is laced with funny antics, as family and friends of the late Starkie (with the help of a professional "tea-party caterer"); try to figure out how to get rid of the body once and for all so they can move on with their lives.

Throughout the course of this story these characters find Starkie's will and some money he left behind. Following these discoveries the group is able to come up with a way of getting Jacob to his final resting place – in a loaf of bread.

Comprised of volunteer actors, Loop Troupe Little Theatre was formed 15 years ago in 1993. On average the group puts on two productions per year.

Gill Stephen, a regular contributor to set costume design, was the director for this production. She has been working with the current cast since February to get everything perfect. When asked for an estimate on how much was spent on the production, Stephen replied, "A hell of a lot!"

As the performance date grew closer, some things fell down to the last minute.

"It's been in the last two weeks that we've been really, really busy. I had to scrounge around. I found the light and sounds guys just on Monday," said Stephen.

Stephen first joined the Loop Troupe back in 1997. Over the years she has seen just how supportive the community has been of the little theatre group.

"They've got a very faithful audience," said Stephen. "They (audience) are often saying, 'Well, when are you going to put on another play?'"

Main cast members included: Dan Linkert (Ellis), Hilda Clark (Mrs. Martha Murgatroyd), Carolyn Barnes (Miss Sarah Starkie), Leah Grant (Miss Parker) and Kim Barrett (Mrs. Booth).

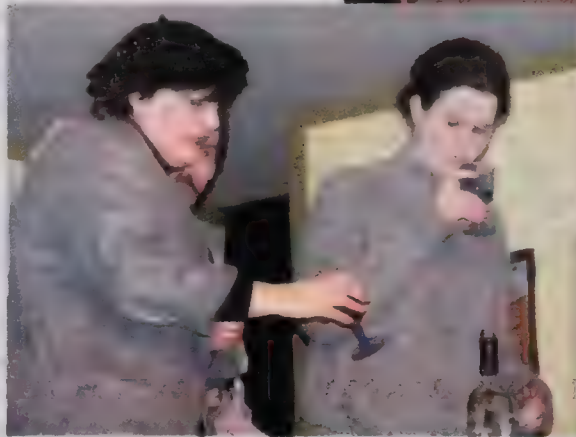
Membership to join the Loop Troupe is open to all ages and anyone from the County is welcome. Not only do they look for talent on the stage, but they also need helping hands behind the scenes. Volunteers can be used in design, carpentry, painting, make-up and in lighting and sound.

The group meets every Wednesday night at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce at 7 p.m. For more information on the group or to find out how you can become involved, email Dan at airbrushpets@sympatico.ca.

Mark Arike
Staff Reporter

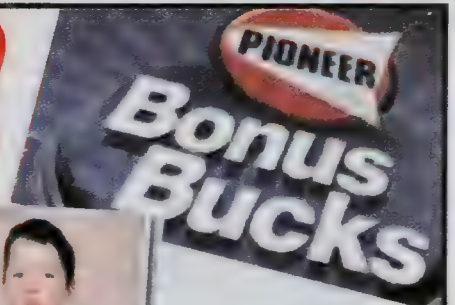


Top Left to Right - Hilda Clark (Mrs. Martha Murgatroyd), Colbeigh Aylsworth, Zachary Aylsworth, Carolyn Barnes (Miss Sarah Starkie), Kim Barrett (Mrs. Booth), Leah Grant (Miss Parker), Dan Linkert (Ellis)



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County Puts Tough Questions to Director Bob Smith

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

Rough Ride for Economic Development Director

Several County Councilors raised concerns about the direction being taken on economic development initiatives across the County. Bob Smith, County Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Marketing was put on the defensive at last week's Economic Development Committee meeting, and at the County's budget session on Wednesday.

Minden Hills Reeve Jim McMahon said that three years ago, he had been one of the driving forces behind getting Smith's position for the County. McMahon said that apart from monthly reports, guides, feasibility studies and tourism initiatives, he has yet to see any actual economic development in the area with large companies.

McMahon said that, "tourism will come with the weather," but a concentrated effort must be put on business development. He said meetings must be held with large developers, builders or restaurant chains to ensure development activity. McMahon added that Minden Hills had been successful with Canadian Tire, but this was only due to constant contact with them. McMahon added, "If you don't invite them, they won't come," and asked if there were any long-range plans leading the County in the direction of more development.

Smith accepted these comments as being fairly accurate, agreeing that he has been concentrating his efforts on tourism activity. Smith said, "it didn't take long after I got here to see that some of the fires that needed extinguishing involved tourism." Smith also said that now that he has help with their tourism component, other business initiatives can begin.

Smith said one of the biggest problems initially had been attracting companies to areas where there was limited high-speed Internet. He said he'd been working on getting the County's name out, particularly as now there is high-speed in most of the County. Smith spoke about his work with local developers to partner and explore the County as a potential business location. He agreed that he should concentrate more on this and, "be in their face". He said a different approach was needed for some of the larger corporate entities. Smith also suggested attending more trade shows and said that he

would be working more on business retention and expansion over the next while.

McMahon said he realizes that the County is not on a major highway system and would not be able to entice some of the large corporations, but Smith said he hoped that would change within the next six months. He said he had had a serious interaction with the Hudson's Bay Corporation, but that it didn't pan out.

McMahon again said that he wanted to see some, "meat and potatoes here," and that while he realized some of the

be looking for some direction in this area.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said he could not vote for the policy as it stands. Fearrey says his Council doesn't feel the policy is necessary. He also questioned the County's ability to enforce the policy and its guidelines and said that the matter should be referred to the municipalities to let them deal with it.

In response to questioning, Smith admitted that there had been four inquiries about filmmaking: Fearrey said that was proof there was not sufficient cause to warrant the policy. Meanwhile, Gardner suggested that there should be a mechanism to promote films, something that Smith agreed he'd like to do. Smith also said that it had been his intention to see the municipalities establish by-laws and do the actual enforcement of the County's policy, adding that the policy could serve as an overall form of working protocol.

Warden Eleanor Harrison said she felt there must be something in place, but stressed the importance of having the four lower tiers on the same page, if the goal is to encourage film activity. Harrison also said that a policy would be best at the County level and that she would like to see applications come through at the County level. She also said that she didn't want to see municipalities in competition with each other and that she would like to see similar by-laws established across the board.

Smith said he plans to take the policy back to the municipalities. He said it had not been his intention to set the County up as an enforcement group and that he had simply been looking for guidance. Smith referred to comments made by Reeve McMahon, agreeing that he feels the County must improve their presence and encourage business and that this is one way to achieve that. He also said that he felt it was important that they ensure films include Haliburton County in their credits.

Smith said he would be interested in seeing the municipal reaction to a consistently worded by-law. He said that he welcomed all the comments that he had received, adding that he wanted the County to be on, "the right side of distasteful".

Both Fearrey and Harrison said they would not support the policy until there was another round of discussion with the municipalities.

Discussions about the County's destination guide did not go smoothly either. Clarifications were required on how the request for proposals worked, and the relationship between the proponents and the printers. Fearrey suggested that there was no relationship between the 2007 actual budget and the 2008 proposed budget. He said clarification was provided on the process to develop the guide, as well as methods of accounting.

Reeve Fearrey also had questions about the cost to develop ads each year, how they are paid for and in general about the use of public funds for the process. CAO Jim Wilson said that the County's tender was for a package price to produce a finished product. He said, how the vendor arrived at their price, was their business. He said the County sets up the price structure to break even.

Fearrey said he could not rationalize the numbers in Smith's report and that some changes must be made to improve the process. Given his concerns about public funds going into the project, he agreed it would be best for him to sit down with Smith.

The RFP for the destination guide allows for the contract to be extended for two years. Fearrey said, "I will understand this before it goes out again." He also questioned getting numbers, if they don't actually mean anything, and said, "I'm at the point of asking for budgeting line-by-line, because I think money is going out the door."

Gardner said the County has the option of extending the project for another year, but suggested it go to another full Request for Proposal (RFP) again, to give the Council a chance to fully understand how the budget for the project works. Smith assured the Council that all of the reconciliations

for the project were done in consultation with the Treasurer.

Fearrey said Council must put their RFP's out in an open and transparent manner, so that everyone could understand. Even though everyone accepted that the product itself was good, they were in agreement that they

"If you don't invite them, they won't come!"

work will be confidential, more activity is needed in the area of attracting business. Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey agreed, saying that the focus must switch.

Algonquin Highlands Deputy Reeve Tom Gardner referred to comments made by an Economic Development Officer from Prince Edward County, who said that if you have an economic development office open up you should see more widget companies which in turn would prove economic development was taking place. Gardner said this is not what they're looking for, and that the County must have a broad interest, and a, "look at what we have and take it to the world," approach. Gardner also said that Smith shouldn't look for easily quantifiable things. "We must strive for more," said Gardner. "We're not getting information out about the County."

Smith said that the County was well represented on various websites. He says it's a tedious, but necessary, business. He said there have been some implementation problems, but sites are being viewed regularly to ensure updates are done. Smith also reported that he had submitted two applications to the Haliburton County Development Corporation and that he was working with them on several seminar ideas. He said that he is looking at opportunities for economic development seminars on a cluster basis which would include tourism, forestry and small manufacturing. He added that he would be looking at service businesses also.

Discussions then turned to the draft Film Policy and Guidelines. Smith said that he had received support from two municipalities but that others were looking for a bit of finessing. Smith says there are three issues to be resolved with all of the municipalities. First, the policy must be amended to waive fees for not-for-profit organizations, given the extremely active volunteer efforts required. Smith explained that not-for-profit groups would still have to go through the application process.

Smith said that the use of the word "distasteful" with respect to not permitting certain film activity had proved to be problematic. Smith added that several municipalities did not envision themselves as being a censorship board and suggested rewording this section. Smith said some problems could be encountered here, as there was a fine line when it came to what is considered x-rated. He added that there could be problems with a film, where a youth is involved with underage drinking, or one which promotes illegal activity. Smith said he would

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"The Works" for Algonquin Highlands

That's what the Public Works Department has been giving the roads in Algonquin Highlands – the works. Reeve Eleanor Harrison had lots of praise for the roads crew at the Council meeting last Thursday. This year the crew has been out plowing more than twice their normal average for the year and that's not counting additional work being done pushing snow back and clearing bridges in between snowfalls. Harrison said she had heard nothing but praise for the department's efforts, adding that she thought the roads in Algonquin Highlands were better than the other municipalities in the County. This is high praise as Algonquin Highlands only has one road crew and there's been no relief for them for months. According to Harrison last weekend was the first weekend the crew had off since before Christmas.

Getting on the Scrap Metal Band Wagon

The Algonquin Highlands Council has decided to support a County initiative to establish scrap metal services at the landfill sites. And that interest extends to the feasibility of a County wide shredding service as well. Things have been percolating at the County level for some time now and their Waste Management Committee has held preliminary discussions with several contractors about the options available to them for scrap metal and shredding services.

Luke Berkitt of Central Ontario Scrap Metals approached the County's Waste Management Committee wanting to provide a price for scrap metal services. Highlands East has been using his services for some time and according to Glen Covert, their Environmental and Property Supervisor, the company provides weigh slips, pays quickly and has done an excellent job for Highlands East. While very interested in the service, Berkitt was asked by the Committee to hold off giving a price in case a County wide tender is developed. Since the Committee meeting Minden Hills also decided at their last meeting to support the County-wide initiative for scrap metal removal from all landfills. The idea is that revenue generated will be returned to the Municipality where the landfill was situated.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison commended the Committee's work,

but commented that they don't have the authority to put out any tenders. She added however that a County tender on behalf of all four municipalities could go forward, should they all support the initiative. During their deliberations, Algonquin Highlands Manager of Operations, Brian Whetstone reported that there would definitely be potential for revenue and each landfill would have a longer life. Reeve Harrison suggested that if there is no consensus among the four municipalities, Algonquin Highlands could proceed on their own, or approach Minden Hills to investigate the possibility of piggy-backing the service with them.

Jamie Cowan has also submitted a proposal to the County Waste Management Committee to supply shredding services. Councillor Carol Moffatt reported that Cowan is prepared to purchase a mobile shredder that would shred the majority of waste at the landfill and the resulting material could be utilized as cover. Moffatt commented that by using the shredder, volumes at the landfills would be greatly reduced. Moffatt also commented that a concern about sole sourcing had been raised at the committee level adding that no action should be taken until they were sure existing policies on tendering were being followed.

Reeve Harrison commented again that she was unsure how this should proceed. She suggested that if the Council is interested in pursuing shredding, a recommendation could be made at the committee level adding that it might be possible for one municipality to take on the project on behalf of all four. Councillor Don Shortreed said he felt it would be beneficial to tender out shredding but recommended investigating whether there were other companies offering the same service. Harrison concurred, saying that the municipality must ensure they don't bypass their own purchasing policy and could only proceed to contract Cowan if no one else had a shredder in the County.

Whetstone strongly recommended to Council that they consider shredding construction debris as burning was becoming an issue and Council concurred that a recommendation be made at the County level to pursue a shredding contract if a consensus is reached among the four municipalities. ■



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Economic Development Cont'd...

>> should have the opportunity to obtain clarification on the overall process, and how the budget was prepared.

During Council's final budget session Fearrey had questions about different items in the Economic Development budget that had been added since their last review. Smith responded that increases had been made to the budget in response to Council's desire to enhance the County's presence.

Fearrey also questioned why the Bell Mobility account had not been broken out in the budget and why so many Blackberries had been purchased for use by staff. The question about the purchase of Blackberries related as well to \$19,000 being spent in 2007, not just for Economic Development but for all staff out of the Administration budget. Fearrey said he expected some rationalization for this purchase.

Fearrey drew a hard line overall about the Economic Development budget, expressing concerns that public funds were being spent without adequate justification. ■

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Marjorie McPhaden: One hundred years and counting!

Stephen Patrick
Editor

A while back I was chatting with my friend Fred Phipps, the photographer – we both put in serious time years back at the CBC in Toronto and we needed to get caught up – and he mentioned in passing that he'd recently met and photographed an elderly lady who had lived in the house Fred and his wife Judy own on Boyne Lake up the Harburn Road. Fred said that Mrs. Marjorie McPhaden had lived in his house in the 1930s and had some wonderful stories to tell about the Harburn when it was just a trail through the bush. He also mentioned that Mrs. McPhaden had been married to a man named Irwin, with whom she'd raised her family.

I said that I'd worked with a lovely woman named Mrs. Irwin at W.A. Kaye's cottage factory in Donald when I was just a kid spending summers at Koshlong Lake, but I said it couldn't possibly be the same person unless she was now about 100 years old. Well, said Fred, that's exactly how old she is – why don't you phone her daughter Gwen Main and find out if it's the same person?

So I did, and sure enough it was indeed the same sweet and tough lady who was so kind to me all those years ago when we shared an office at W.A. Kaye Enterprises. We worked about 50 hours a week one-on-one with Alvin Kaye, an extremely demanding boss and taskmaster who knew the value of a dollar, and then some. So I couldn't wait to go out and have a cup of tea with her at the farmhouse she shares with Gwen and her husband Bert Main on Fallowfield Road near the Old Buckhorn (and just a few kilometres through the bush from Koshlong).

Marjorie Irwin came to Haliburton during the worst of the Depression in the 1930s with her husband Foster Irwin. Foster had seen his electrical-repair business in Toronto destroyed by the grim economic times but he'd managed to hold onto a log cabin and bush he owned on the Harburn some



Photo by Fred Phipps

seven miles north of Haliburton on Boyne Lake. "At first we lived in the little cabin year round," Marjorie remembers. "But soon we began to add onto it: Foster had a heart condition, so I helped move the stones from the piles in the fields to the house site." Over the years Foster and Marjorie had two daughters, Gwen and Gloria, who joined Dorothy, a daughter from Foster's first marriage. Gwen remembers the Harburn Road of her childhood as a narrow, muddy path through the bush where the spring growth would brush the sides of the cars or horse-drawn wagons as they passed. Marjorie also remembers that, "We used horse-drawn sleighs in the winter, and often in the summer we'd walk the seven miles to town to shop, then hope for a ride back up the road. We did have some neighbours a mile north at the old village of Harburn, the Orrs for one. Foster was an electrician, but there wasn't a lot of work. So he did some logging and hunting of course – there were lots of deer and bear. But no moose at that time."

Daughter Gwen has very fond memories of her years in the tiny house on the Harburn, but points out how tough it must

have been for her mother: "You have to remember they came from Toronto, so they were used to hydro, running water, indoor plumbing and so on. We had none of that – and Mother not only looked after us and Dad, she taught me at home right up until high school!"

In 1955 Foster Irwin died suddenly of a heart attack, and Marjorie needed to go back to work. She'd been an office worker and bookkeeper during the 1930s in Toronto, and soon W.A. Kaye offered her a job at his fledgling cottage-building business in Donald. Mr. Kaye had moved to the area in the late 1930s when he established Camp Lagekelo on Koshlong Lake. He'd been a high school principal in Scarborough, but had always wanted to own a children's camp. In 1953 he sold the camp to the Hamilton YMCA, whereupon it was renamed Camp Wanakita. A year later he decided to start a company building cottages using tongue-in-groove BC cedar. The cottages were an early example of pre-fab construction – most of the materials were assembled in Donald. After a year or so his books were in a terrible mess, and so he asked Mrs. Irwin to help him, which she did. She then sold the Harburn Road property, bought a house in Donald and stayed with the company until it finally folded in the late 1960s, when Mr. Kaye retired.

When I mention that Mr. Kaye wasn't an easy man to work for, Marjorie just grins, with a slight raise of her eyebrows. "We had some good men working with us as well, you'll remember," she says. "Roy Schroter, Harley Fader, Ivan Francis all worked there." Roy Roberts, as a very young man, worked at the factory as well. The hours were long and the pay lean, but it was still work. And to be fair, I certainly remember learning a lot about the 'real world' of work during that summer when I was just 15. At one point Mr. Kaye assigned me to the office, where Marjorie taught me the rudiments of office work, inventory keeping, and payroll. Suffice to say, she had great patience, which was needed, both for me and for Mr. Kaye (who insisted that the men call him Chief – Marjorie and I were allowed to use Mr. Kaye.)

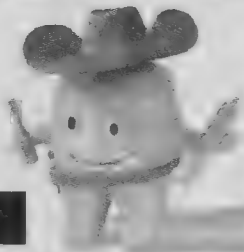
After the company shut down, Marjorie went to work for Haliburton Contractor Malcolm McPhaden, whom she later married, and who is now deceased. When she was well into her 90s Marjorie began to take courses in herb growing and herbal preparations – her daughter Gwen says she never stops thinking and being interested in the world around her. A devout Jehovah's Witness, her faith is central to her daily life.

Her memories of a long and fruitful life are sharp and vivid, and her family, led by daughter Gwen, is devoted to her. She has 10 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, and one great great due in the fall. After our talk, and some tea and Gwen's homemade cake, she says goodbye with that wonderful smile and flashing eyes that haven't changed, in my memory, one whit over the last 40 odd years. ■

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Sean Has an Aha Moment

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Aha!

It may not appear in the shape of a light bulb above your head, but researchers say "Aha!" moments are marked by a surge of electrical activity in the brain.

A new study shows that solving a problem that requires creative insight prompts distinct changes in brain activity that don't occur under normal problem-solving conditions.

The other night, New York Rangers' forward Sean Avery was skating around in the vicinity of The New Jersey Devil crease, schmoozing and cruising and marking his territory with the unbridled enthusiasm of a terrier in heat. Suddenly, he stopped. He stared at his old nemesis, goaltender Martin Brodeur.

And something happened.

Sean Avery, erstwhile pest, couthouse connoisseur, serial starlet dater, sometime bigot and dashing diver had an aha moment. Bells clanged, whistles blew and something palpable apparently got in the way of the wind that usually blows with hurricane efficiency between Sean Avery's ears.

He turned, faced Marty Brodeur and let a Eureka moment take hold. He waved; he shook; he spoke in tongues. His body convulsed in a Saint Vitas dance. Avery engaged in a transcendental transportation of a type usually reserved for a congregation of serpent handlers at a Tennessee Holler Pentecostal convention.

No doubt about it: Sean Avery, belligerent and bellicose bedeviler, had an aha moment.

"For thousands of years people have said that insight feels different from more straightforward problem solving," says researcher Mark Jung-Beeman, an associate professor of psychology at Northwestern University. "We believe this is the first research showing that distinct computational and neural mechanisms lead to these breakthrough moments."

This is important.

Why?

Because there is a scientific corollary here.

Corollary? Aha, you say. What's that?

Good question.

Proposition A is a corollary of proposition B if A can readily be deduced from B.

Why is this important you ask.

Bear with me. This is significant, crucial even. It may be worth 4 to 5 million US, if Avery ever engages in salary arbitration.

Proposition A's posit is: Does Sean Avery possess a fully functioning noggin. To wit: Do neurons fire and do synapses connect within that shredded mush of porridge between the Bronx pest's ears?

Proposition B's presupposition is: "Studies show that about one-third of a second before the "Aha!" moment, there is a sudden burst of high-frequency brain waves. This type of activity is associated with high-level processing of information."

Ergo and eureka. Sean Avery apparently had an aha moment. So flowing from proposition B we deduce, ipso facto, that there is some legitimate activity emanating from the vicinity of Sean Avery's once vapid and moribund cranial corridor.

What it means is: There is something going on up there, other than ganooshed gumbo and scrambled grits. It doesn't mean that he'll be heading for Harvard law anytime soon, but it does indicate some upper echelon activity in melonville. Which is refreshing news for Sean's mom.

To be fair, Avery may be a

Avery Rule A "Hotfix" for Pesky Crease Denizens

little crazy, like a fox.

He did, after all, force NHL Vice President Colin Campbell to address the issue of faceguarding with an abrupt and unprecedented mid-playoff rule change, which will heretofore be known as "the Avery Rule." Aha!

"An unsportsmanlike conduct minor penalty will be interpreted and applied, effective immediately, to a situation when an offensive player positions himself facing the opposition goaltender and engages in actions such as waving his arms or stick in front of the goaltender's face, for the purpose of improperly interfering with and/or distracting the goaltender as opposed to positioning himself to try to make a play," Colin Campbell, the NHL director of hockey operations said in a statement.

Faceguarding has been addressed for years in other sports. It's an automatic Technical in basketball and it's penalized as interference in football.

What really surprised me was the referee's refusal to address it while it was happening in the game. Officials do have an obligation to address unsportsmanlike antics during the course of a game.

I officiated basketball in Ottawa back when I was attending university. Basketball has an elastic rule that states: "The officials shall have the power to make

decisions on any point not specifically covered in the rules." Section 3, paragraph 1.

I once had to take interpretation of the elastic rule to its logical limits.

During a high school game I was the senior official. I was doing the game with a younger referee, who, during a stoppage in play, while I was called to the scorer's table, forgot to keep his eye on the court. He turned to address a player near the scorer's table.

It was a close game. There was a commotion. While both of us had our backs to the court during the time out, the center on the trailing team, Dave, who went about 6'7" and 220, sucker-punched the opposing center, who was a helluva' nice kid named Mike. I knew both players pretty well.

Mike was down but not out, and Dave had nonchalantly walked away from the scene of the crime. There was a lump under Mike's right eye and I asked him if he could continue. He nodded yes. No argument. He knew that my partner had dropped the ball by looking away and he asked: "You didn't see it, did you Terry?" Mike knew we couldn't make a call. Our hands were tied.

I nodded to him, said stay out of the way, and then told him I'd take care of it. I went up to Dave and simply said: "Dave, that was crap."

His coach had a sub up and I went over to him and said: "Coach, Dave stays on the floor." The coach just nodded and the substitute returned to the bench.

I handed the ball to my partner, took a spot down low near Dave. The ball came in low and Dave moved over to cover zone. I signaled foul. "Number four, red team, blocking."

Dave took two steps toward me, opened his mouth and I teed him up. He opened his mouth again and I gave him his second technical. The second T is always flagrant, and Dave was obliged to leave the game and the vicinity of the floor.

I didn't get an argument from his coach. Dave never dressed for the team's remaining two games or the playoffs.

So what's that got to do with Avery and Brodeur.

Well, if I was officiating, I might have winked at Marty and let him know that the elastic rule would be in effect while I

was busy tying my skates.

One free pop to the unmentionables with the business end of a goalie stick might produce another significant frozen moment in time for a loutish lamebrain.

There's aha; and then there's *aaaaahhhhaaaaa!!!*... if you know what I mean.

So let's leave the summing-up to Penguin forward Gary Roberts.

"He's an idiot."

Aha! Well said, Mr. Roberts. ■

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: My 14-year-old stepdaughter, "Nicki," is sweet, sensitive, shy and artistic. Through no fault of her own she is two grades behind in school. She's not anti-social but has few friends at school because of the age difference. The friends she does have take advantage of her. They spend time with her only when she has spending money. They also borrow her things and do not return the items in good condition.

Nicki loves to talk about how many friends she has, but she'll also mention that they don't like her sometimes. She lives with her mother for the most part, but when she visits she seems starved for attention. I try to tell her to stand up for herself, but she thinks if she does she'll lose her "friends." Her mother also has low self-esteem, and I think she has passed this on to Nicki.

Is there anything I can do to bolster my step-daughter's self-esteem? And what can I say about her friends without overstepping my boundaries? — LOST STEPMOM IN PALAU

DEAR LOST STEPMOM: It is not unheard of for parents who are socially recessive to pass that trait on to their children. After all, children learn by example — and that's where you may be able to help your stepdaughter. The more time Nicki spends with you, the more she will see how you appropriately handle social situations and contemporaries. You should also share your thought process with her before and/or after you have done so. This will give her coping mechanisms in dealing with her own life.

Although it may be tempting, do not put down her classmates. If you do, it could come across as a criticism of her. Instead, encourage your stepdaughter to get involved in activities outside of school — perhaps pursue her art, something that she enjoys. That way she can meet peers with whom she has something in common, and who won't have preconceived ideas about her status.

DEAR ABBY: I have a neighbor who honks her horn twice to say goodbye to her children — at 7 a.m.! It's so annoying to wake up to the sound of a honking horn every morning.

How do I ask this neighbor — whom I am not friendly with — to stop this daily ritual? — NO MORE HONKING IN PA.

DEAR NO MORE HONKING: Write your neighbor a sweet note and explain that the honking is waking you up. She may be unaware that she is creating a problem. If that doesn't work, then check the noise ordinance in your city. She may be in violation of the law.

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6. Name the theme song for the film "Blackboard Jungle."
Answer _____

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Answer _____
8. Who was "Lady Day"?
Answer _____
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Answer _____

ANSWERS: 1. Freddie Mercury. 2. Leonard Bernstein. 3. Louis Armstrong. 4. Paul McCartney. 5. The Rolling Stones. 6. "Rock Around the Clock." 7. Hungarian. 8. Billie Holiday. 9. Organ.

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Horoscopes

It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of finding practical solutions to complex problems, and you do it with grace.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You easily handle your tasks this week, thanks to those high energy levels that never seem to run down. But pace yourself, Lamb, for the demanding week ahead.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) With the arts dominant this week, you might want to pick up any of those creative projects you've neglected. A workplace situation benefits from some fresh insight.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Music helps replenish your energy levels. Play your CDs if you must. But a live concert could prove more rewarding, especially if you go with that very special someone.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Close friends reach out to help perk up your lagging social life. That workplace situation also eases, leaving you time to do more fun things by week's end.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A revelation clears up that perplexing job-related problem. Some changes will have to be made, which, no doubt, will meet with the Big Cat's roaring approval. Good luck.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Reaching out to someone in need is the noble thing to do. But try to restrain the temptation to add a lecture — no matter how well-intended — to your good deed.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) There could be another tough challenge to face before the month is over. But all that hard work is winning you lots of important recognition from your peers.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Keeping to your work schedule could prove difficult with all those personal distractions. Best advice: Stay with it. There'll be time later for socializing.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Jumping hurdles this week might be vexing for most, but not for the sage Sagittarian, who recognizes that meeting a challenge can open up opportunities.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) More obstacles might be thrown in your path as you try to finalize a new agreement. But the sure-footed Goat ignores the stumbling blocks and stays the course.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) We know the Water Bearer takes pleasure in giving to others. But why not let someone else enjoy the experience too by accepting that offer of help?

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might find you need to ease up on your hectic schedule this week. Don't fret about it. It could be helpful to take a break and replenish your energy supply.

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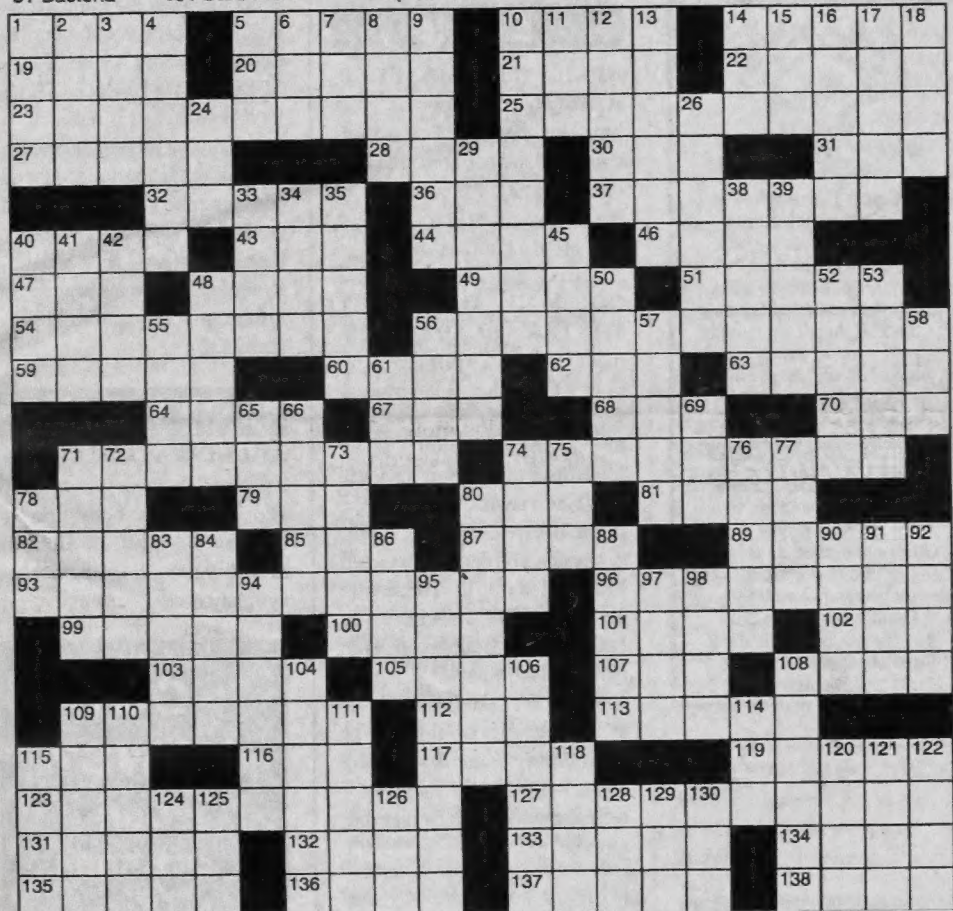
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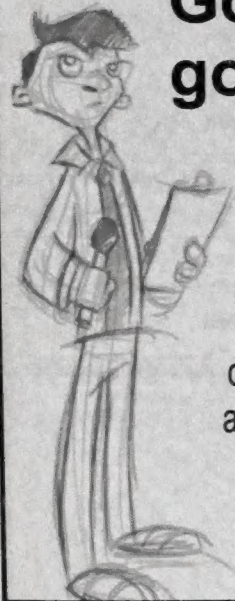
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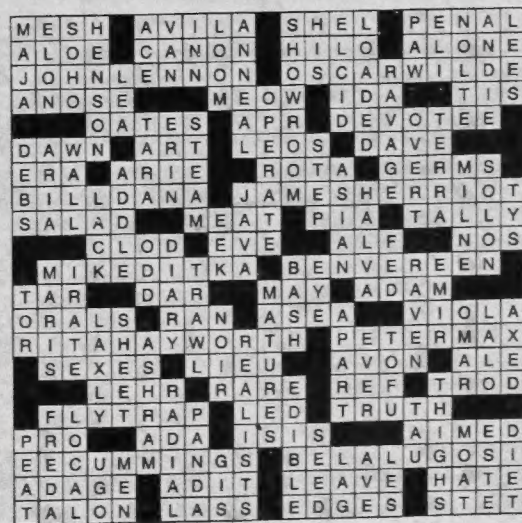
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Redstone River - \$465,000



This beautiful home sits on the edge of a river with a swimming hole and 14 acres. Features also include a Jacuzzi tub and outdoor hot tub on the patio. 2 bdrms are on the lower walk out level making privacy a plus. Easy to set up a 2nd kitchen with hook ups there. Full laundry facilities also.
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McCue Lake View - \$139,900



3 bdrms. McCue lake across the road. Refinished original hardwood flooring & colonial trim & new ceramic tile. Renovations include the roof, new windows & doors, soffit & fascia, wiring, upgraded insulation, drywall, new main flr washrm, new 4 pc upstairs bathrm.
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Beech Lake - \$789,900



7600 sq. ft. of living space comes fully furnished from 6 bedrooms to the audio/video equip in the sound proof theatre. All inclusive is outdoor entertainment as well including a ski boat, 2 snowmobiles, 2 kayaks, right down to outdoor furnishings and a BBQ hooked up in the gazebo.
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Country Home - \$529,000



Total privacy with 375 feet frontage & 1.49 acres on a five lake chain. Well maintained year round waterfront home or cottage. Features; vaulted ceilings, large lakeside windows, walk-out to large deck overlooking lake.
Al Mayo * 286-1234

Log Home w/ Acreage - \$349,000



Large three bedroom self-sufficient home in very private location. This well built log home has generator for power supply, propane fridge and stove. Over 100 acres of land, river access, great property for the outdoor enthusiast with hunting and fishing at your doorstep.
Peter Franzen * 286-1234

Grass Lake - \$249,900



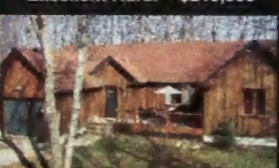
Clean & neat 2 bdr cottage, oak kitchen, beautiful view from living room, 4 pc bath, electric and wood heat, sloping lot with sandy shoreline and beach, year round municipal dead end road, close to Haliburton, 5 lake chain for miles of boating and fishing.
Lorri Roberts * 457-2414

Marsh Lake \$259,000



Marsh Lake spacious 2 bedroom home, west exposure 265 feet waterfront, next to 3,000 acres of crown land.
David Lee * 286-1234

Excellent Rural - \$219,900



Turn-key rural residential property. 2 + 1 bdr, 2 baths, large eat-in kitchen with separate dining area. Main floor laundry room, attached 2 car garage. Many upgrades - all ceramic and laminate flooring throughout, new shingles 2006 and new well pump. Newly renovated lower level with walk out.
Debbie Cumber * 457-2414

Grass Lake - 5 Lake Chain - \$419,000



Charming and cozy 1,000 (approx) sq ft 3 bedroom fully winterized cottage/home plus bunkie. Floor to ceiling stone fireplace, large 3 season sunroom, newer windows & septic, drilled well and a very private hard sand beach. Turnkey (including boat & motor) A real pleasure to show.
Lindsay Elder ** 286-1234

Gull River - \$262,500



Charming three-bedroom home, 2-storey home in a great neighborhood. Features include separate dining room, large living room, modern kitchen, lovely yard. Two sunrooms, one at front & one at back overlooking the river, 2 pc wash room behind carport for summer use only. Deck at water. Home is on town services, plus close to hospital & school.
Grace Loughheed * 286-1234

Deeded Access - \$189,000



1450 sq. ft. 4 bedroom bungalow with renovated kitchen, new steel roof & solarium, close to public boat launch on Halls & Hawk Lakes. Deeded access to Kennis River off Big Hawk Lake Rd.
Ed Gibbons * 286-1234



Lovely maple trees provide a park like setting for this 3 bedroom Viceroy style cottage. Open concept living room and kitchen, window corner breakfast nook, vaulted ceiling finished in pine. Large deck overlooking lake. Easy year round access.
Vince Jarvis * 286-1234

Redstone Lake - \$624,900



Prime private well treed 1 acre lot with 425 ft frontage on prestigious Redstone Lake expansive view - year round access. 3+ bdr, 2 bath full finished walkout lower level offering 2400 sq. ft. of living space plus screen porch.
Anthony van der Schout ** 457-2414

Deer Lake Cottage - \$299,900



Outstanding point lot with 162' frontage, SW exposure & 4 bdr. Combination sand & rock bottom. Level lot.....don't hesitate. Asking \$299,900. 130' Vacant lot for sale next door too!
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Cranberry Lake - \$379,000



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Kennis Lake - \$624,900



Prestigious Kennis Lake. Clean rock & sand shoreline. Extensive docking. Beautiful 1540 sq ft 3 bdr, 2 bath. Features spacious modern kitchen, living room with corner fireplace & vaulted ceiling, sunroom, main floor laundry & stunning master bdr with double Jacuzzi tub en-suite. Shows to perfection!!
Cathy Bain * 457-2414

Redstone River - \$299,000



14 acres and over 400 ft. of frontage on Redstone River. There is a meadow down near the river where you can watch the deer play. This Cedar log home has 3 plus bedrooms, 2 baths, den, cozy living room, deck off the kitchen, walkout basement and much more to list.
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PET GROOMING Call 286-6538

Events

APRIL 18TH / 08 FUND RAISER. 12 noon til 7:00 pm. Hot roast beef on a bun, coleslaw and squares. Tea and coffee \$5.00. Proceeds go to the Ladies Auxillary, BR. # 129 Sports Fund
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DO YOU HAVE THE WINTER BLAHS! Well, mark Sunday April 13th on your Calendar Community Care is holding a welcome to spring fashion show fundraiser at the Bonnie View Inn, Showcasing Bridal wear, prom dresses, evening wear, costumes, and dance wear from Miss Lester's in Huntsville and Sparkly Jewellery or Bling from Baubles n Bon Bons in Haliburton.

Tickets are \$20.00 available at Baubles n Bon Bons or Community Care by calling 457-2941. Oh by the way - refreshments will be served.
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Events

THE COMMUNITY CARE TRIP CLUB has two trips on the roster. On Wednesday May 28 we have a bus leaving for the Sony Centre to see Irish Singer Daniel O'Donnell and then on Wednesday June 11th we are off to see the Blue Jays play the Seattle Mariners. Our tickets are Field Level Infield, and we are directly behind home plate. Both trips include transportation, dinner and all taxes and gratuities. Call 457-2941 for more information.
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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS LAND TRUST. Saturday, April 26th, 10:00 a.m. at the Haliburton campus of Sir Sandford Fleming College. Learn more about the work the Land Trust is doing to preserve Haliburton County's natural heritage. **SPECIAL PRESENTATION.** Paul Heaven on his research and mapping project on Species At Risk in Haliburton County, commissioned by the Trust and generously supported by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. More information at info@haliburtonlandtrust.ca or 754-2532

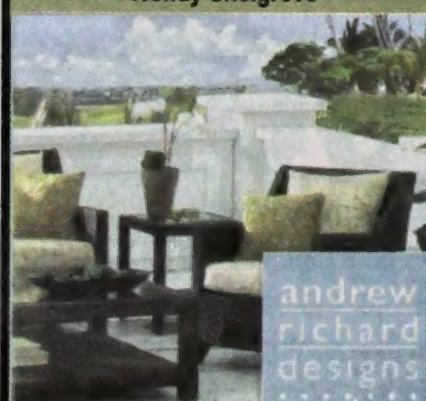
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RECREATIONAL GYMNASTIC TUMBLING, Hda. 19 George Street, Haliburton 705-457-1561 or haliburtondance@sympatico.ca **Tumble Tots Parent / Child** Thursdays 10:00 - 10:45 am. April 10 - May 22 / 08 \$48 **Gymnastics Level 1 4-8 years** Thursdays 4:45 - 5:30 pm April 17 - June 5 / 08 * No class April 24 & May 29 / 08 \$54 **Gymnastics Level 1 9+ years** Thursdays 5:30 - 6:15 pm. April 17 - June 5 / 08 * No class April 24 & May 29 / 08 \$54 **Gymnastics Adv / or Level 2** Thursdays 4:00 - 4:45 pm. April 17 - June 5 / 08 * No class April 24 & May 29 / 08 \$54 Space limited to 8 per class for Tumbletots and 10 for all other levels. Book your space now! apr a 08

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FOOD SERVICES STAFF REQUIRED at the Kinark Outdoor Centre to start May 1. We are located on Queens Line off of Hwy 118 west of Carnarvon. Previous experience working in a food service setting preferred, and ability to work independently essential. Competitive hourly rate. Please fax, email or mail resumes to: Tina Newman Kinark Outdoor Centre PO Box 730 Minden On K0M 2K0 Fax: 705-286-6184 tina.newman@kinark.on.ca apr c 08

PART-TIME NIGHT SECURITY PERSON REQUIRED at the Kinark Outdoor Centre. We are located on Queens Line off of Hwy 118 west of Carnarvon. Position is responsible for ensuring safety of children and staff from 10:00 pm to 7:00 am. Previous experience working with children is preferred and ability to work independently essential. Competitive hourly rate. Please fax, email or mail resumes to: Tina Newman Kinark Outdoor Centre PO Box 730 Minden On K0M 2K0 Fax: 705-286-6184 tina.newman@kinark.on.ca apr c 08

MEAT CUTTER. Full time position. Please reply with resume in person to Easton's Valu-mart, Minden. Phone 705-286-6032 and ask for Pat Pierson or Lynda Easton. Fax 705-286-4765 apr c 08

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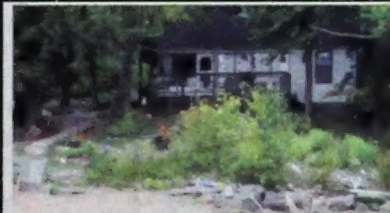
Boshkung Lake - \$449,000



Gorgeous private lot with 170' of waterfront. 3 bedroom cottage with stone fireplace, sauna, guest suite, and much more.

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